

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 6, 1899.

PALMER NEWS.

About Keeping Town Records.

In the Palmer letter in the Springfield Republican of last Sunday, the correspondent touched on the matter of keeping town records as follows:

For instance, the selectmen are not required to keep records of the business transacted for the town, except in so far as an expenditure of money is involved. In such cases, of course, the record is with the town clerk. In matters where mutual agreements have been entered into between two towns, for instance, such as the joint building of a bridge, no record is usually kept. The town's books show the outlay, but a question recently arose in Palmer as to which of two towns should keep a bridge in repair. When the voters believe a man has held office long enough they elect some other. The new men take over the books, such as the town's without much explanation. They invariably find that some business has been begun which they have to continue. The details of the business are often a matter of memory with some predecessor. This is awkward, to say the least.

This brought a reply from Robert T. Swan of Boston, commissioner of public records, in which he stated that a law passed in 1887 compelled the keeping of such records, section 2 of which provides that:

"Every public officer or officer in charge of more than one person, in charge of a department or office of the commonwealth, or of a county, city, town, or village, shall designate some person as secretary, who shall enter in books all votes, orders and proceedings of such board, department or office, and shall have the custody of such books."

Inquiry of the various boards of officers of Palmer shows that none of them were aware of the existence of such a law. The board of selectmen have kept such a record, however, the beginning being made in 1890, when H. P. Holden was chairman of the board. The board of health also keeps such a record. The overseers of the poor and the assessors, however, while they keep a faithful record of their actions, have kept no such record as the above law calls for, and in their meetings there is little or nothing of such a nature to record.

The Coming Firemen's Ball.

The Palmer Fire Department will give its third annual concert and ball in the opera house Friday evening, January 7. The department has been fortunate in securing the Harry E. Brigham orchestra of Marlboro to furnish music. As is well known, this is one of the finest orchestras in the state. It furnished the music at the last ball, and those who listened to it and tripped the light fantastic toe to its merry strains have nothing but words of praise for its fine work. The same Harry Brigham will prompt, and Frank L. Ordway will direct the music. The firemen are sparing no efforts to provide a most excellent entertainment, and they will no doubt have the large attendance they deserve. Chief G. A. Bills will be floor manager, and will have for assistants N. Conner, James Dewey, Charles Atkins, J. J. Conner, and A. Maxwell. The committee of arrangements consists of Chief Bills, T. J. Conner, F. J. Roche, F. D. Thompson, M. J. Dawson, William Gaffney, J. F. Dawson and John Lyman. Tickets for the concert and ball, admitting two ladies and a gentleman, are \$1.00; concert tickets are 25 cents, and either may be had of the "boys." During the intermission a supper will be served in the banquet hall presided by the Daughters of Rebekah. Nobles' bus will leave Monson at 7:30 to accommodate Monson people who wish to attend. This conveyance, and the electric cars to the villages, will leave "after the ball is over."

A Letter to Santa Claus.

PALMER CENTER, Dec. 31st, 1898.
Dear Santa—We, the people of Palmer Center, were very much disappointed on Christmas morning. To be sure, we did not hang up our stockings, but we did think, as much as could be, that we would have a nice little waiting station at the door for you. You know, dear Santa, it is an awful cold place out there to wait for a car. If you happen to have an old second-hand station which you could put up we would gladly accept it for this winter, as we have never had one before. We have been very busy and have probably forgotten your loving children here.
Yours, PALMER CENTER.

E. R. Pierce to Manage Forest Lake.

At a meeting of the Forest Lake Company held recently it was unanimously voted to place the management of the grounds in the hands of E. R. Pierce of the Converse House for another season, and a contract has been made whereby Mr. Pierce has the entire control of the property for a year from the first of this month. This will insure a continuance of the same degree of excellence which last year made this resort so popular, and with the electric road in operation to Monson and Ware will no doubt draw a much larger patronage another year.

Mrs. W. C. Burnett is visiting her mother in West Brimfield.

Mrs. Pierce of Ware is visiting her sister, Mrs. Albert Marsh.

Miss Bridget Dwyer spent Sunday with relatives in Bonville.

Mrs. S. E. Burnett and children are visiting friends in Springfield.

The schools resumed their sessions Tuesday after the holiday recess.

The trustees of the epileptic hospital met at that institution yesterday.

Charles Demeritt has resigned his position in McGil's fish market.

The King's Daughters met with Mrs. W. H. Higgins Tuesday afternoon.

The Universalist Sunday school will elect officers at its session next Sunday.

Mrs. John Holden of Bennington, Vt., visited relatives in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert McGregory have returned to their home in Brockton.

Miss Julia Hurley of Boston is visiting Mrs. H. C. Morgan of Walnut street.

Letters are advertised at the post office for George H. Mellor and Richard Birby.

Mrs. Walter Kenerson and son are visiting Mrs. Kenerson's mother in Hardwick.

Communion will be observed in the Universalist church next Sunday morning.

Dr. J. P. Schneider witnessed the hanging of Kralofski at Springfield last Friday.

Miss Abbie Wallace of Springfield has been visiting Mrs. E. H. Truesdell this week.

The Knights of Columbus will hold a meeting in Odd Fellows hall next Thursday evening.

Just an even hundred tramps patronized the tramp room during the month of December.

Mrs. E. J. Sprating of the epileptic hospital has gone to her home in the South for a visit.

Miss Florence Maynard of Springfield visited her cousin, Miss Bertha Hastings, last Friday.

The annual parish meeting of St. Paul's church will be held next Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

William Sanders of Pittsfield, a former resident, has been spending the week with friends in town.

The Once-a-Week Club will be entertained in Monson to-morrow evening by the Zittus Club of that town.

Miss May Fiske will entertain the members of the senior class of the high school at her home this evening.

The last train for Springfield in the evening now leaves at 8:01, the change of time going into effect Sunday.

Warden Lent of the town farm has been ill with the gripe this week, and confined to the house for several days.

One recruit was mustered in at the regular meeting of C. W. Cross camp, Sons of Veterans, Tuesday evening.

Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Bodfish, is able to be out once more after a serious attack of pneumonia.

A party of young men attended the performance in Thordike Monday evening given by the San Francisco minstrels.

The annual meeting of the Congregational parish will be held next Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the vestry of the church.

Weeks' American Minstrels appeared in the opera house last evening. The company gave a street parade at noon.

Rev. Edward Day of Springfield, formerly of Ludlow, occupied the pulpit in the Congregational church Sunday morning.

Two cases of scarlet fever have been reported in this village this week, the two children of J. J. Conner on Fox avenue.

The Lend-A-Hand Club will meet at the home of Mrs. A. T. Wing on North Main street next Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Miss M. E. Marsh spent the past week with her cousin, Mrs. H. A. Rindge, on the Rindge farm on the quarry road to Monson.

The annual meeting of the incorporators of the Palmer Savings Bank will be held in the bank building next Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Reverend Chapter, O. E. S., will publicly install their officers next Friday evening at 8 o'clock, and invite Masons with their friends to be present.

John Thompson, of Taylor's grocery store, has been in Hartford this week attending the reception of the Governor's Foot Guards, of which he is a member.

Miss Hattie Farrell of Park street fell on the doorstep the first of the week and injured her ankle so severely that she has since been confined to the house.

Sophia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Rice, has returned from Lowell, where she has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. Mary Jacques, for several weeks.

The Angliamians will meet next Monday evening in the reference room of the library building. The last chapter of "Much Ado About Nothing" will be read.

The Woman's Relief Corps held a meeting at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon in Memorial Hall. The next meeting of the corps will be held January 20th, in the evening.

Sheriff E. P. Clark was responded H. A. Northrup and G. A. Ellis deputy sheriffs for the ensuing term of three years. O. W. Stiles of Springfield, formerly of Palmer, was also responded.

J. F. Lindberg & Co. of Rockport have leased the corner store of the Nassawannock House block, now occupied by C. H. Hancock & Co., from March 1st, next, for the dry and fancy goods business.

Miss Ella M. Burdick, who has been employed in the millinery store of Mrs. L. E. Carpenter, returned to her home in Greig, N. Y., Saturday. Miss Burdick will return to Palmer in the spring.

The men's class in ethics will take up the study of Kant next Sunday. Mr. Petrie will devote the hour to a statement of Kant's theory of the good will, and a suggestion of a line of criticism upon it.

Rev. O. G. Petrie preached Tuesday evening in the Bay Street Universalist church in Springfield, and Wednesday evening in St. Paul's church of the same city. Last evening he preached in Warren.

The Sunday evening meeting of the Y. P. C. U. of St. Paul's church will be conducted by Mrs. O. G. Petrie. The topic is "The value of sects—our sect." All are cordially invited. Service at 7 o'clock.

There will be preaching in the Universalist church this evening by Rev. Charles Conklin of Springfield. This meeting will close the series which has been held this week, all of which have been well attended.

Miss Grace Ricker resumed her duties as assistant teacher in the high school Tuesday. Miss Ricker was granted a vacation at the Thanksgiving recess owing to ill health, and has now returned much improved.

The board of county commissioners held their regular monthly meeting at the court house in Springfield Wednesday morning, and organized with Commissioner William H. Brainerd of Palmer as chairman.

The selectmen met in their room in the memorial building Monday afternoon and transacted the usual routine business, nothing of importance, other than the drawing of orders, coming before them.

Hampden Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, elected their officers at its meeting Monday evening: High Priest, Dr. G. H. Wilkins; King, C. T. Brainerd; scribe, S. H. Hellyar; treasurer, F. A. Royce; secretary, A. E. Fitch.

The funeral of Mrs. W. Breckenridge was held from her late home Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. G. M. Gerrish of the First Congregational church of Thordike officiating. The burial was in the Thordike street cemetery.

The oratorio cantata "Shiloh" was given in the Baptist church Sunday evening under the direction of Luther C. Cobb. The production was well received by a large chorus of voices in orchestra, and was heard by a large audience.

Dr. L. H. Hendee, who is surgeon of the Massachusetts division of the Sons of Veterans, with the rank of major, has been detailed by the commander-in-chief of the Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., to inspect the headquarters of the New York division at Albany.

W. H. Higgins, Jr., driver of the American Express Company's delivery wagon, has resigned his position and taken one on the Mohawk, a freight boat running between New London and New York. His place on the delivery wagon has been taken by Fred Coleman.

The Ladies' Society of the Congregational church will give a social in the church parlors next Wednesday evening; supper will be served by Mrs. H. Chapman, Mrs. Albert Ferry, Mrs. E. G. Hastings, Mrs. G. O. Henry, Mrs. H. P. Holden, Mrs. John Thompson.

George H. Justin, car inspector for the Boston and Albany railroad, has been confined to his home on School street for a number of days by illness. He is now able to be out, but is not attending to his duties, which are being performed by Timothy Sheehan of West Springfield.

Walter Mason, of the 12th U. S. regulars, who was discharged at the close of the war with Spain and has since resided, left this noon to join his regiment at Jefferson Barracks, Mo. His regiment is to leave within a few days from New York for Manila, by way of the Suez Canal.

The Woman's Tuesday Club met with Mrs. H. G. Loomis on Pleasant street Tuesday afternoon. After the regular business Mrs. Loomis entertained the ladies with a dainty and appetizing lunch, the party remaining until the evening hours. The club will meet next Tuesday with Mrs. H. W. McGregory on Squier street.

Town Clerk J. B. Shaw has received from Minnie K. Packard of Greenfield the sum of \$200, with instructions to use the income in caring for the Ferrill lot in the cemetery at the Four Corners. The money has been placed in the savings bank in care of the town's auditors.

The Palmer family cemetery was very prominent in the earlier history of the town, and has been one of its strongest features.

By a recent action of the New England Insurance Exchange, no co-insurance is required for fire risks located more than 500 feet from a public hydrant, as formerly.

This new rule will apply on all risks in the town of Palmer, excepting in the Depot village. Mercantile buildings occupied as such may now be written for a three-year term at annual rates, which is considerably less than formerly.

One of J. F. Foley's horses, attached to a business sleigh, made a little excitement on Main street Wednesday afternoon by running away. A portion of the harness broke, which caused the horse to run. The animal developed quite a little speed as it went up North Main street, but John Doyle, who was in the sleigh, managed to keep in the middle of the road and finally stopped him near the Point of Rocks. No damage was done.

The newly-elected officers of L. L. Merrick post, G. A. R., the Woman's Relief Corps, and C. W. Cross camp, Sons of Veterans, will be installed in Memorial Hall next Wednesday evening. Dr. George E. Fuller, past commander of the Monson post, will install the officers of the Grand Army, Mrs. E. L. Davis of Lawrence, formerly of Palmer, and Past President of the local corps, those of the Relief Corps, and Past Division Commander Fred E. Bolton of Boston those of the Sons of Veterans.

Two young women from Monson were tipped out of a sleigh in front of the JOURNAL office Wednesday afternoon, but were very little hurt. They were in the sleigh when it struck and attempted to pull out, the horse turned rather short and the sleigh runner catching in the track, they were gently deposited on the snow. The horse ran like a fiend for a dozen or twenty jumps, then settled down to a trot and finally to a walk, and was stopped at Central street. Very little damage was done to the sleigh.

Senator T. W. Kenefick was in Boston Wednesday at the organization of the Legislature. He was made a member of the committee on rules. Mr. Kenefick has been in the House for the last three years, where he made an enviable record as a legislator, he made an enviable record as a legislator, he made an enviable record as a legislator.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

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James Clouson has returned to Orono, Maine.

Mrs. F. E. Cady is visiting her parents in Springfield.

Miss Salena Orcutt is ill at her home on Lincoln street.

Frank L. Blanchard is suffering from an ulcerated tooth.

Arthur P. Hyde has gone to his home in South Hadley Falls.

Myron Blanchard has taken a position in a store in Abington, Ct.

Mrs. H. P. Miller of Worcester is visiting at Lyman Miller's for a few days.

James Pendergast has added a line of groceries to his fish and fruit business.

Luther Peck has returned to his studies at the state university at Orono, Maine.

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The sleigh-ride party to Brimfield, which was planned for last evening, was postponed until some evening next week.

Harry Bugbee, who has been spending the holiday vacation at home, has returned to his studies at Wesleyan University.

Charles H. Webb returned Monday to the Boston Dental College, after a two-weeks' vacation at his home on Bridge street.

The Libby glass-blowers, who have been giving exhibitions in some of the surrounding towns, expect to visit Monson some time this month.

The installation of officers of Mt. Ella lodge of United Workmen was postponed last Tuesday night until Tuesday evening, January 17th.

Word has been received of the death of Joseph F. Estlin at Amesbury, a former Monson resident and member of Day Spring lodge of Masons.

The register at the Hotel de Sault shows the following number of lodgers during the fall and winter: September, 1; October, 14; November, 27; December, 39.

The Congregational society has shipped this week to a missionary at Central City, Neb., a barrel of things which were brought to the church at Christmas time.

Miss Maria Shea arrived home Tuesday from Worcester, where she was operated upon several weeks ago for appendicitis. She is rapidly regaining her health.

The engagement of Miss Addie L. Peck, daughter of Carlos L. Peck, and A. W. Merchant of Providence, R. I., son of A. W. Merchant of Monson, is announced.

Word has been received by the friends of Miss Helen Howe Hopkins, formerly of Monson, of her marriage December 23d to Dr. Kinsman at Hamlet, North Carolina.

The parish of the Universalist church will hold a special meeting in the Sunday school room of the church Monday evening at 7.45 o'clock. A large attendance is requested.

Some of the public schools did not get started in very good shape Monday morning. The janitor understood that the schools were not to commence until Tuesday, so did not start the fires.

The quarantine has been removed from the house of Horace Burnstead in the south part of the town, where his daughter has had diphtheria. The house has been fumigated by the health officers.

Mark Noble will run a bus to Palmer Friday evening, January 20, for the accommodation of Monson people who may wish to attend the firemen's ball in Palmer. The bus will leave at 7.30.

The annual parish meeting of the Congregational church will be held next Tuesday evening at the church at 7.45. Officers will be elected, and the appropriations of money for the coming year will be made.

Sunday night was one of the coldest nights on record in Monson. At Rogers' store, which is considered the coldest place in town, the mercury registered 30° below zero, at three o'clock Monday morning.

The Woman's Relief Corps will hold a supper in G. A. R. hall next Friday evening from 6 to 8 o'clock. It will be a ten-cent supper, consisting of potato salad, baked beans, etc. The supper will be followed by a social.

Joseph Dinmore, employed by H. N. Butler, and Miss Stella Bliss of Wilbraham were quietly married at the bride's home Saturday afternoon. They have commenced house-keeping on Pleasant street, in William G. Meacham's home.

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The Academy opened Tuesday, but with the corps of teachers rather crippled. Miss Adams did not return on account of sickness, and Prof. Burke has been confined to the house the whole week with an attack of the gripe, while Miss Hibbard was taken sick yesterday. It makes the work rather difficult for the remaining teachers.

Rev. F. M. Bissell of St. Paul's Universalist church in Springfield preached in the Universalist church Tuesday evening. No service was held last evening, owing to the fact that the train due in Palmer at 6.49 from the west, which was to bring the speaker, Rev. A. W. Cronquist of Westfield, was taken sick yesterday. It makes the work rather difficult for the remaining teachers.

The officers of the Monson lodge of Odd Fellows were installed Monday evening by District Deputy Grand Master F. E. Wilcox and suite of W. Wren: N. S. G. L. Kenney; V. G. Henry Roehm; recording secretary, John Cross; permanent secretary, Harry Howe; treasurer, A. Babbitt; R. S. N. G. H. M. Smith; L. S. N. G. C. R. Bunting; conductor, C. F. Aldrich; warden, G. G. H. N. Butler; R. S. S. David Broadfoot; L. S. S. F. J. Fyatt; chaplain, M. Wright; L. S. V. G. F. W. Grant; L. S. V. G. M. McPherson. After the installation a collation was served.

WEST WARREN.

Miss Annie Carey and Mr. Shockey were married at the home of the bride Monday afternoon by Rev. Mr. Olmstead of The Rivers.

The Epworth League held a business meeting and social in the Methodist church Monday evening. A short entertainment was given, consisting of a solo by George Rycroft and a reading by C. O. Walker.

EAST BRIMFIELD.

The mercury went as low as twenty degrees below zero Monday morning.

Fred Bagley has been quite ill with gripe, but returned to his work this morning.

Mrs. Spratt and sons spent New Year's day with her mother, Mrs. Ward of Southbridge. The Literary Society held its annual meeting and those officers as follows: President, Frank N. Pond; vice president, W. C. Davenport; secretary, Mrs. L. A. Spratt; treasurer, John Lombard.

LUUDLOW CENTER.

Miss Etta Lynde spent Sunday in Thorndike.

George Bennett of the Worcester School of Art has been spending the holidays at his home.

Deputy Frank Bennett installed the following officers of the Grand Lodge: M. E. Chapman; O. E. Charles B. Bennett; L. M. E. Clark; S. Charles W. Streeter; C. Adelbert; Bennett; T. George D. Green; secretary, Mrs. E. E. Chapman; G. K. Clarence Fuller; Pomona, Grace Bennett; Flora, Mrs. Willis S. Grant; Ceres, Mrs. Lebowitz.

WALES.

Mrs. Fred Smith is quite low and not expected to recover.

John Fisher lost a team horse yesterday; it fell dead while on the road drawing a load of wood.

Charles Gokely, aged 88 years, died at his home Monday. His remains were taken to his old home in Wales, and will be buried there next week.

H. Medsker and Adelbert Mandigo have rejoined their regiment, and expect to be mustered out soon with the Co. K of the 6th Mass. Vols.

One of the wives of the village was anxiously looking for her husband one night last week, thinking he had eloped or there had been foul play, but her suspicions were quieted as he returned at a late hour not much the worse for wear.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

A. D. Tufts caught 35 perch and two pickeral on the river Wednesday.

Gripe has the call in town just at present, there being a large number of cases.

An apron sale will be held at the parsonage on Maple street, next Friday evening under the auspices of the Ladies' Society of Grace church.

Miss Maybelle F. Gates will return home from Springfield next Monday, having given her notice at Kinsman's, where she has been employed for some time.

The choir of Grace church presented the cantata of "The Christmas Eve" last Sunday evening to an appreciative and critical audience. The several parts were well rendered, the solo work of Miss Gates being especially deserving of commendation. It is understood that the cantata will soon begin rehearsing for Easter.

LUUDLOW.

James Haggie has moved to Allentown, Pa.

Deputy Grand Chief Ranger Hugh M. Crommond made his first official visit to the Chipmunk court of Foresters Wednesday evening for the purpose of installing their newly-elected officers. He was accompanied by a delegation of Luudlow Foresters.

The old red bridge on the Three Rivers road is being torn down, and is to be replaced by an iron structure. The selection of Wilbraham have stopped traffic over the old bridge and travelers to and from the village use the road over "Burying Ground Hill."

Ludlow Division, Sons of Temperance, has elected these officers: W. P. W. Williams; John W. N. Miss Katie Holden; R. S. Miss Mina Ogilvie; A. R. S. Miss M. Kyle; F. S. L. McDougal; T. Henry Burke; C. Rev. W. A. Thomas; A. C. Robert Elder; J. S. W. O'Neill; O. S. J. Sims. These officers will be installed next Wednesday.

WARE.

The public schools reopened Tuesday morning after the Christmas recess.

A. S. Bassett has purchased the meat-packing establishment of Jesse Buddington. The boys who do a rushing business, and the number of hands has been increased to eighty.

The Ware Ice Company has filled the vaults of the Swift refrigerator with ice of an average thickness of about a foot.

Mrs. Mary Leonard, widow of Austin Leonard of Springfield, died Tuesday afternoon of anemia. She leaves two daughters.

Misses Mabel Southworth and Helen Chute and Charles Chute returned to their studies at Oberlin University Tuesday afternoon.

The Twentieth Century Club has rented the rooms now occupied by Joseph Cote, and will take possession about the first of next month.

Ware Court of Foresters will hold its annual court and ball in the town hall next Friday evening. Brimfield and Luudlow of Monson will furnish music.

Miss Cora B. Goodwin of Windham, N. H., has been elected a graduate of the Bridgewater Normal School and has taught the high school of Medway and Franklin.

The Methodist Sunday school has elected these officers for the ensuing year: Superintendent, David Barlow; assistant, Charles Lindsey; secretary, H. H. Turner; treasurer, William H. Marsh; organist, David Pratt.

WILBRAHAM.

The Farmers' Club met Monday evening with H. M. Bliss.

The public schools reopened Monday after the Christmas recess.

Wesleyan Academy and the public schools have reopened this week after the holiday recess.

The annual installation of officers of the Grange will take place next Wednesday evening.

William Farnham of Denver, Col., who has been visiting in town, returned to the West Wednesday.

On account of the small number present at the Sunday morning service of the Congregational church the communion was postponed for one week, as was also the evening missionary meeting.

The Sunday school of the First Congregational church has elected these officers: Superintendent, E. E. Chapman; assistant, Walter M. Bliss; treasurer, Mrs. E. C. Clark; librarians, Misses Nellie Clark and Dora Bliss; chorister, Mrs. Lavinia B. Potter.

Miss Nellie A. Peck, accompanied by her father and mother, Mrs. and Mrs. Chapman, E. Peck, left for Asheville, N. C., Saturday, where she will spend the winter for her health. Her father will return next week, but her mother will remain with her. Mrs. Mann will keep house for Mr. Ira G. Potter during the absence of the family.

H. Estella, daughter of Ethebert Bliss of Maple Side Farm, was married at the Congregational parsonage by her pastor, Rev. M. S. Howard, Saturday afternoon to Joseph W. Dinmore of Monson. Miss Dinmore and Walter Bliss, sister and brother, were of the bridal party, and after dinner at Maple Side, Mr. and Mrs. Dinmore left for their new home in Monson, where they will reside on Pleasant street.

BELCHERTOWN.

Representative M. A. Morse left Tuesday to begin his duties in the Legislature at Boston.

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Mrs. D. L. Hazen left this week for Jacksonville, Fla., where she will join her husband, who went South in November.

The officers of Vernon Lodge of Masons were installed last evening by Grand Lecturer Channey E. Peck of Wilbraham.

The annual business meeting of the members of the Congregational church, which was to have been held this week, has been postponed until next.

The high, center, grammar and primary schools and the South Center school resumed their sessions Monday after the Christmas vacation.

An accident to the boiler at the creamery last week caused some inconvenience in the work, but a temporary boiler was placed in position Saturday and work has been going on as usual this week.

There is a growing sentiment among the members of the Congregational church of turning over all its powers to the church council, and the custom for many years, the society controls all the business affairs of the church, hires the minister and decides on various matters of church policy. The members of the society who attend the business meetings are very few, and it is thought that it will be best to turn over all power and privileges to the church, which is duly incorporated, and is growing stronger and stronger every year.

The installation of the officers of E. J. Griggs post, G. E. E. was not held on Monday evening, owing to the small number present, but was postponed until Monday evening, January 16th. The Relief Corps and associate members and their wives are invited to these exercises. The officers of the Relief Corps were installed Monday evening by Mrs. Mary E. Thayer of Ashburnham.

During the collation, Mrs. Sarah A. Dunbar, the retiring president, was presented with a handsome parlor lamp by the members of the corps.

WARREN.

The Misses Demond returned to Smith college Wednesday.

The schools commenced Monday after a two-week vacation.

All the churches have held special services of prayer this week.

Ministrels occupied the town hall Wednesday evening.

Services have been held at all of three churches during the week of prayer.

The gripe is still prevalent in town, several business men are laid up with it this week.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union met with Mrs. Rebecca Shaw on Maple street Tuesday afternoon.

The Scales & Jenks Manufacturing Co. expects to start the mill at the lower village on full scale next week.

Miss Edith Gleason, who has been attending her vacation at home, left for Utica N. Y. Monday morning, where she is studying music.

Charles Griswold, the well-known Main street shoe dealer, was married Tuesday to Miss Mabel Veto of West Brookfield. They reside at home.

Miss Elizabeth Belle Curtis of Warren and John Leary of Whitinsville were married Tuesday night.

The reports of the officers and societies connected with the Congregational church were read at the Sunday evening meeting. During the year the church has lost four members by death, 20 by dismissal, and there were two additions. The present membership is 212 resident members and 70 non-resident members. The total contributions for missionary purposes the past year were \$180.

The Warren Thet Detaching Society held its annual meeting in the office of Charles B. Blair Monday evening and elected these officers: President, Herbert N. Shepard; secretary, Fred W. Kimball; treasurer, Charles B. Blair; directors, Edward Fairbanks, William A. Jenks, Marcus Burroughs, Charles H. Walker, Frank A. Keith, Frank E. Harwood and Isaac E. Moore. Pursuing committee, Walter A. Putnam, William Combs, George E. Tarbell, George Bliss, John M. Drake, Joseph H. Bates, Joseph G. Hastings, Hosea B. Smith, Dwight E. Graves and Daniel G. Hitchcock.

BRIMFIELD.

Charles S. Tarbell is serving on the jury in Springfield.

Capt. F. D. Lincoln has returned from his trip to Cincinnati.

Harry Converse returned home Tuesday after a vacation of several days.

There was a pleasant dancing party at the hotel Friday evening, about 25 couples were present. The attendance from being as large as it would otherwise have been.

Mrs. Augusta Bissell, wife of Rev. Oscar Bissell, died at her home last Friday morning. Mrs. Bissell had been suffering with gripe, and was convalescent. Her death came unexpectedly and was caused by heart failure.

Besides her husband she leaves two sons, William and Fred, and a daughter, Miss Alma, a recent graduate of Mt. Holyoke College.


A. B. Stoddard, who has been staying some months at the hotel with his brother, Landford Stoddard, has secured a position in a store in Lebanon, Ct., and entered upon his duties there Monday. Mr. Stoddard won the esteem of all the patrons of the hotel while acting as clerk there, and made many friends among the young people in town. Previous to his stay in Brimfield he had a responsible position in a store in Hartford, Ct.

An adjourned meeting of the Brimfield Improvement Society was held Monday evening. In spite of the severe cold enough to form a quorum were present, and reports in part were given by the committees chosen at the last meeting. As the other officers were unavoidably absent, Clarence Brown, the treasurer, presided; Miss Haley acted as secretary. The next meeting will be a regular meeting, and will be held Monday, the 16th. There are nearly forty members of the society.

The annual installation of officers took place at the local parlors of the Grange Tuesday evening. There was a

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afternoon, Wesleyan Academy, in which Mr.

White had been a teacher in his younger

years, being closed during the services, as

was also the store of F. A. Gurney. Rev.

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Some of the older residents of Palmer and

vicinity will remember Rev. W. W. Belden,

who preached for many years in the Congre-

gational church a goodly portion of the time

between July 1832 and September 1854,

between the pastorate of Rev. Thomas Wil-

son and Rev. Dr. Vail, though he was not

settled, being simply hired. The following

year, from a recent issue of the Congrega-

tionalist, would seem to prove that true love is

ever constant, though fate or circumstances

may prove adverse for a time:

THOMASTON, CONN.—Quite a romance sur-

rounds the recent marriage of Rev. W. W.

Belden of Hingham and Mrs. E. T. Gil-

bert of this place. The bride is 74 years old

and a daughter of the late Seth Thomas, the

pioneer clock builder and the founder of this

town. The groom is a retired Congrega-

tionalist clergyman. The two first knew

each other here as school boys and girls 60

years ago. The affection which sprang up

PALMER NEWS.

Chairman Breckenridge of the Palmer School Committee Resigns.

At a meeting of the Palmer school committee Tuesday night the chairman, W. A. Breckenridge, tendered his resignation on account of ill health, which was accepted. It is understood that the committee will not fill the vacancy, leaving it for the voters to do at the March election, as Mr. Breckenridge's term of service expires this year. The other member whose term expires this year is C. H. Hobbs of Thorndike, and a strong effort will be made to keep him on the board, he being recognized as a most valuable member.

What a Clergyman Thinks of It.

A clergyman in a not far distant village writes the JOURNAL thus: "I prize and read your paper with interest. It strikes me as an especially clean sheet, both in its news and advertising columns."

R. J. Henry, formerly of Palmer, was in town this week.

Charles E. Stone has returned to Phillips Exeter Academy.

Earl Bard has been visiting relatives in Adams this week.

Joseph Barrett was in town this week calling on friends.

Mrs. S. E. Hellyar visited her cousin in Brookfield this week.

E. H. Rollins has been spending a part of the week in New York.

W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Hubbard Lawrence Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Lizzie Connor of West Brookfield is the guest of Mrs. J. F. Foley.

The Tuesday Club will meet with Mrs. B. Shaw next Tuesday afternoon.

Conductor Whiton of the electric road has been ill this week with the grippe.

Miss Emilie Blamires of Woods Hole is visiting at the home of F. A. Cotton.

Mrs. William Flynn of Westbury is the guest of Mrs. J. C. Wing Wednesday.

Timothy Potter of Springfield visited his sister, Mrs. G. H. Hastings, yesterday.

E. E. Hobson returns next Tuesday to the University of Maine school of law.

Mrs. E. L. Davis of Springfield has been the guest of Mrs. C. E. Fish this week.

John K. Milligan of Cleveland, O., was the guest of his brother, W. R. Milligan, Sunday.

Miss Effie Shaw went yesterday to New York, where she will remain for a week or two.

John Thompson is unable to attend to his duties at Taylor's store, being sick with the grippe.

Miss Ruth Hendee of Lowell, N. Y., will spend the winter with her brother, Dr. L. H. Hendee.

Miss Kitty Mahern has resumed her duties at the depot restaurant, after a few weeks' vacation.

Mrs. Ellis Dodge has returned from New York, where she was called by the death of a relative.

Rice's Comedians will be the attraction at the opera house next Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

Rev. Edward Day of Springfield supplied the pulpit of the Congregational church last Sunday.

Rev. William F. English of East Windsor, Ct., will preach in the Congregational church next Sunday.

Mrs. John Sedgwick attended the annual meeting of the Daughters of the Revolution in Springfield yesterday.

Mrs. Charles Holden and son of Bondville spent this week with Mrs. Holden's mother, Mrs. G. H. Bray.

Miss Carrie Tutill has been acting as substitute teacher for Miss Hubbard in Monson Academy this week.

Mrs. Clark, who has been visiting at the home of her brother, Wallace Chilson, has returned to Albany, N. Y.

The Y. P. C. U. of the Universalist church will meet at 6:30 Sunday evening. The subject is "God, our Father."

Mrs. O. G. Petrie is substituting in one of the Monson public schools on account of the illness of the regular teacher.

The teachers of the Brimfield schools were in Palmer in force Wednesday, to visit the grammar schools of the town.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Breckenridge have gone to Woodbridge, N. J., on a visit to their son, J. E. Breckenridge.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Baptist church will serve a baked bean supper next Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. William Merriam attended the Carr-Folsom wedding Wednesday at the Church of the Unity, Springfield.

The dates for the annual fair of the Eastern Hampton Agricultural Society have been fixed for Sept. 19th and 20th.

C. D. Shepard has been re-elected superintendent by the Palmer and Monson Street Railway Company for another year.

The ice house at Forest Lake is being filled with ice for next summer's use, measuring about 10 inches thick, fine and clear.

Clarence Wigg, corporal of company D, Fifth Massachusetts, has been honorably discharged from Uncle Sam's service.

Misses Kathryn and Maud Foley gave a whist party Tuesday evening in honor of their guest, Miss Stearns of Pittsfield.

One of the Mauser rifles captured at Santiago has been on exhibition at the store of the Western Mass. Shoe Co. this week.

Rev. O. G. Petrie will preach at the Sunday evening service at 7 o'clock on "The tests of life." All seats are free at this service.

The meeting for the election of the officers of the Onco-Week Club will be held to-morrow evening at the Converse House.

Rev. O. G. Petrie will attend a meeting of the executive board of the National Y. P. C. U. at Boston next Tuesday and Wednesday.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Social Union of St. Paul's church will be held next Tuesday afternoon; supper will be served at 6:30.

The will of Mrs. Mary Rodding, who left money for the establishment of an old ladies' home in Palmer, will be contested by relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. O. G. Petrie will attend a meeting of the Rhode Island division of the Y. P. C. U. at Pawtucket next Friday evening.

S. W. Smith has purchased the grain business of A. W. Ferry, which will be conducted at its present quarters under the firm name of Smith & Co.

Senator Kendrick fares pretty well in the committee appointments, being on the judiciary, rules, election laws, and federal relations committees.

Conductor T. J. Danning, who has been confined to his home with illness a few weeks, has resumed his usual run on the Central Vermont road.

Clerk of Courts A. E. Fitch attended the annual meeting of the association of district, police and municipal clerks held at Young's hotel, Boston, Wednesday.

The following civil entries have been made at the district court: Mary Desmond vs. John Mallory, Mary J. Osborn vs. Jeremiah Carroll, both for action of contract.

Miss Elizabeth Henschen, who is attending the Bridgeport Normal School, is taking up a special course of election at the Emerson School of Oratory in Boston.

D. F. Dillon took his bar examinations at Boston last Saturday, though as there were a hundred others it will probably be some time before he is notified of the result.

The annual report of the Eastern Hampton Agricultural Society has been received from the printer, and copies are ready for delivery at the store of the secretary, F. D. Barton. Superintendent of Schools Thompson visited the schools of Ware Wednesday. An exchange of visits between the high school teachers of the two towns is contemplated. Owing to the sickness of one of the regular trainmen, Michael Dawson had the opportunity of inspecting the new union station in Boston last Sunday, while substituting for him.

The Onco-Week Club, which was entertained by the Zittmas club of Monson Saturday evening, has returned their kindness by inviting them to a banquet to be held a week from to-morrow night.

A horse attached to J. F. Foley's delivery team indulged in a run from the Weeks House on South Main street to the Congregational church yard yesterday morning, but no damage was done.

Mrs. H. B. May left for New York this week on her way to join her husband, Major H. B. May, a paymaster in the army, now stationed in Porto Rico. She expects to spend the winter there.

Miss Mignon Fuller was elected treasurer of the Baptist Sunday school last Sunday, the former treasurer, Mrs. L. G. Parkhurst, having resigned to accept the superintendency of the primary department.

Miss Lena Lomb of Orange, Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., will install the newly-elected officers of the Eastern Hampton Agricultural Society. She will arrive here this evening. Mrs. Gale of Orange, Grand Marshal, will act as conductor.

Mrs. L. H. Gager sustained quite a serious fall near the house of Newell Taylor Tuesday, striking the back of her head on the sidewalk. She recovered sufficiently to go into a nearby house, where she faintly.

Mr. and Mrs. James S. Loomis will celebrate their golden wedding at their home on South Main street Monday evening, the 24th, when they will keep open house and be pleased to receive their friends from 3 to 8 p. m.

O. P. Allen attended the annual meeting of the State Board of Agriculture at Boston Wednesday, as a delegate from the Eastern Hampton Agricultural Society. He was appointed a delegate to the fair at Great Barrington.

From now till Easter Rev. Mr. Petrie of the Universalist church will read extracts from a book entitled, "Life of Christ," at the regular Thursday night meetings, after the reading of which he will lay them open for discussion.

D. F. Holden has gone into the real estate business, which he formerly conducted so successfully while in Palmer, and for the present may be found at the store of the Western Mass. Shoe Co. in Holden's block on Main street.

The installation of the G. A. R., W. R. C., and Sons of Veterans took place Wednesday evening at Memorial Hall. The newly-elected officers of the organizations were installed by H. E. Hendee, Mrs. E. L. Davis and L. H. Hendee, respectively.

Eugene Mogge, a brakeman on the Central Vermont railroad, had his hand crushed while coupling cars at Barrett's Junction, Monday. He returned to Palmer and was attended by Dr. L. H. Hendee, who amputated the first joint of one of his fingers.

Rev. F. B. Harrison of New Haven, to whom the Congregational church has given a call, was in town Tuesday looking over the grounds and in consultation with the committee. While he has given no formal answer as yet, it seems to be the opinion that he will accept the call.

Dr. Florence Solomon has been at the Converse House since yesterday, and will remain until Monday morning. She will give lectures to women only in the opera house this and to-morrow evenings, in connection with which there will be a concert by a ladies' orchestra, and stereopticon views.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Palmer National Bank Tuesday afternoon these officers were chosen: President, J. B. Shaw; vice president, E. Fairbanks; clerk, C. B. Fiske; directors, J. B. Shaw, E. Fairbanks, C. B. Fiske, J. F. Holbrook, C. D. Holbrook, G. H. Wilkins and G. M. Atkins.

One of the newspaper correspondents of the town was approached yesterday morning by a man who took him to be one of the lawyers of the place, much to the former's disgust, who concluded that when he had got where he was classed with the legal fraternity his cup of bitterness was indeed full to the brim.

D. L. Bodfish will begin to-morrow his annual mid-winter sale of cotton underwear, and announces some unusual bargains. A few of the silk shirt waists which he has been selling at such greatly reduced figures are left. The great sale on ladies' and children's coats he will also continue another week.

Mrs. H. Waite of Springfield was the guest of the Tuesday Club at its meeting held at the home of Mrs. H. W. McGregory last Tuesday. Mrs. Waite, who sings in the choir of Hope Congregational church, entertained the club with several selections, which were creditably rendered and thoroughly enjoyed.

At the annual meeting of St. Paul's Universalist Sunday school Sunday, these officers were elected: Superintendent, Joseph Page; first assistant, F. A. Cotton; second assistant, G. W. Sumner; librarian, Miss Bertha Royce. In appreciation of the services of Superintendent Page, the Sunday school presented him with a camera.

The Mother's Club held its annual meeting with Mrs. L. E. Chandler last Friday afternoon, and elected these officers: President, Mrs. Bodfish; vice president, Mrs. Flynn; secretary, Mrs. Buffington; treasurer, Mrs. Dickinson; programme committee, Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. Hay and Mrs. Davis. The next meeting will be next Friday evening with Mrs. Bodfish.

A social will be held by the Y. P. C. U. of the Congregational church in the vestry Tuesday evening at 7:30. Light refreshments will be served, and a short literary programme will be rendered. The social will be in honor of Mrs. W. H. Higgins, Jr., who has been vice president of the society for the past few years, and who expects to move from town the last of the month.

The Unique Wooden Band has reorganized with the following officers: Manager, Alfred Swann; musical director and secretary, Richard Beams. There are 14 pieces in the band, and all the instruments are new taken up. The present members are now taken in interest in the organization, are practicing twice a week, and hope before long to appear before the public. The band has several engagements on hand.

The firemen are sparing no pains to make their annual concert and ball next Friday evening an event of pleasure to all attendants. The boys have been selling tickets since last week, and have met with good success. The business men appreciate the fact that this is the only time in the year when the firemen call on them except in an official capacity, and are glad to respond. Electric cars will run to the other villages after the ball.

The district court had for a victim Wednesday morning Robert Johnson of Monson, charged with vagrancy; three months in the house of correction. Yesterday morning the man who danced attendance on the summons of Justice was Jeremiah Healey of

West Warren, who had attempted to jump a freight the night before while suffering an attack of ardentus arboris. Probation Officer Merriam allowed the man to go after reviewing his case.

Tuesday afternoon bade fair to rival the intense cold snap of a couple of weeks ago. The mercury was pretty low down in the tube, and a strong wind sent the cold into the houses and through persons who were not obliged to wear coats. Those who were compelled to be out at night, and the mercury only touched 8° below Wednesday morning. It hovered about zero all day however, and yesterday morning stood 2° below.

Mrs. Elvira C. Wallis, 86, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. L. Roper, on Pearl street, Monday night. Mrs. Wallis had resided with her daughter for six years, and had been in poor health for a long time, though she was not considered dangerously ill until last week. The funeral was held at the home yesterday, Rev. Charles Olmstead of Three Rivers officiating, and the body was placed in the tomb until spring, when it will be buried in Holland, her native home.

The annual meeting of the Congregational parish was held Monday evening. The report of the treasurer showed all bills paid and a balance in the treasury. These officers were elected: clerk, O. P. Allen; treasurer, and collector, L. E. Chandler; executive committee, J. A. Palmer, H. W. McGregory, Dr. G. H. Wilkins; auditor, H. P. Holden. The appropriations were: Pastor's salary, \$1200; janitor, \$200; fuel and lights, \$200; incidental, \$150; music, \$500; pulpit supply, \$40; total, \$2290.

These officers of the Palmer lodge of Odd Fellows were installed Wednesday evening by District Deputy Grand Master W. R. Sackett and suite of Springfield: N. G. Isaac Ramsdell; V. G. Charles L. Holden; secretary, George H. Bray; treasurer, J. W. Williams; financial secretary, L. G. Parkhurst; warden, J. V. Clark; conductor, F. O. Royce; O. G. George H. Justin; I. G. William S. Smith; R. S. V. G. E. F. Shaw; L. S. V. G. William S. Taylor; R. S. S. A. W. W. Lloyd; L. S. S. H. W. Smith; chaplain, H. T. Bishop.

Joseph Page has been elected superintendent of the Universalist Sunday school. Under Mr. Page's former management the school has been very progressive, three new classes having been formed, a special set of lessons for the primary department adopted, new additions to the library having been made. He also has instituted the new method of giving books to all scholars having an average attendance of 70 per cent.

As a mark of the Sunday school's appreciation of his efficient services, a camera was presented to Mr. Page. The present outlook points to another year of progress and efficiency for the school.

The annual parish meeting of the Universalist church was held Monday evening and the following officers were elected: Moderator, W. W. Leach; clerk, William Merriam; treasurer, C. E. Fish; collector, H. W. Holbrook; executive committee, Charles Keith, G. F. Sedgwick, F. N. Carpenter, H. E. Hendee, E. P. Schmitt, Dr. L. H. Holden, J. B. Shaw, W. P. Webster; alternates, C. H. Cannon and E. E. Brooks; ushers, George Sumner, S. B. Keith, G. F. Sedgwick and C. E. Fish; music committee, W. E. Stone, Mrs. John Matthews and E. E. Brooks. The report of the treasurer showed that the church stood on a good financial basis.

At the annual meeting of the Palmer Business and Social Club Wednesday evening these officers were elected: President, E. G. Hastings; first vice president, T. W. Kennedy; second vice president, G. S. Holden; treasurer, Rufus Flynn; secretary, W. P. McDonald; trustees, L. W. Carly, E. P. Ball, Dr. H. S. Bryant, W. H. Brainerd, E. G. Hastings, Rufus Flynn, W. E. McDonald; election committee, F. O. Royce, T. J. Moran, H. E. Hendee, E. P. Schmitt, Dr. L. H. Holden, J. B. Shaw, W. P. Webster; alternates, C. H. Cannon and E. E. Brooks; ushers, George Sumner, S. B. Keith, G. F. Sedgwick and C. E. Fish; music committee, W. E. Stone, Mrs. John Matthews and E. E. Brooks. The report of the treasurer showed that the church stood on a good financial basis.

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TO RENT.—In C. L. Gardner's house on Converse avenue.

DESKHOUSE BOAR.—This very fine Boar will be for service at the Randall Place, Main street, Palmer, Mass. G. E. RUCK.

MISS ANNIE AVERY is boarding at the home of Mrs. C. H. Murdoch.

Rankin Scott commenced attending the high school this week.

S. B. Barnes moved his goods to Barre Plains on Wednesday.

Clayton Barnes is boarding at the Otis Company's boarding house.

William Morin has been kept from his work this week by an attack of the grippe.

Herbert Barker of the Hartford Theological Seminary spent Sunday at his home here.

Mr. Gannon has moved into the tenement on High street formerly occupied by John Bycroft.

A. W. Warriner is to move into the

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EXPENDITURES.	
Home missions,	\$ 59.55
Foreign,	38.18
Incidentals,	935.44
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The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 13, 1899.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

MONSON.

LOCAL NOTICES.
Rice's Comedians, with their company of 18 people will be the attraction at the opera house, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Jan. 13 and 14. Two plays will be presented each night. Prices 25, 35, 50 cents.

Mr. Blackford's Letter of Resignation Accepted.
At the close of the morning service in the Universalist church last Sunday Rev. Harry Blackford read to the congregation his resignation of the charge in the following words: "To the members of the First Universalist Church of Monson: Almost seven years ago you called me to the pastorate of this church, to minister to the spiritual needs of this people; and you entrusted to my care the leadership of this congregation in its work of love and duty. And as we have labored together an unseen hand has intermingled the threads of my life with yours. The fabric which has thus been woven cannot be unraveled without pain. Hence it is with heavy and reluctant heart that I resign unto you the trust with which through these years you have honored me. I would also ask that you make this resignation take effect at an early date. As I go in obedience to the call which has summoned me to other fields of labor, I shall not forget the many happy and hallowed experiences which have been mine as pastor of this church. My relationships to this people have all been pleasant and harmonious, and their memory will be an inspiration and help to me wherever I go. I trust that the work here may soon be under the direction of another leader, and that he may receive your sympathy and support in as large a measure as you have accorded them to me; and that by your consecration and your devotion to the truth and to duty, you may make the faith of the world, and the church which loves more and more a power for good in the lives of men. In all the experiences of life, in its joys and in its sorrows, may the spirit of the Master be with you as it has been with me, and that you may be inspired and supported. Often shall I long to see you, that I may impart unto you some spiritual gift, and ever will my love be with you all in Christ Jesus."

A special meeting of the parish was held in the church Monday evening to take action upon Mr. Blackford's resignation, and it was voted to accept it, although expressions of regret were placed upon the records of the parish. The society realizes the great loss it sustains in losing Mr. Blackford, yet it is one gratification to them to know that the best of feeling exists between pastor and people, and that Mr. Blackford leaves Monson not because he is dissatisfied with the people or their work, but because he has received a call to a larger field of work and that it was his duty to accept it.

Charles Weiden expects to join the regular army.
Fred D. Rogers is serving as jurymen at Springfield.

Miss Hattie Cushman is ill at her home on Main street.

Harry T. Chapin is ill at his home on Green street.

Arthur Hyde expects to go to Virginia in the near future.

The Alpha Club met with Miss Helen Fitz Monday evening.

G. H. Norcross is clerking at Rogers' store a few days.

E. P. Donovan, clerk at Rogers' store, is sick with the grippe.

Mrs. W. B. King of Williamette is visiting at E. B. Potter's.

J. M. Wright is ill with the grippe at his home on Pearl street.

Louis Aldrich has taken a position as hostler for A. D. Ellis.

Mrs. A. A. Wallace is spending the week with her sister in Meriden, Ct.

Q. H. Ball has returned from a visit with his brother in Patterson, N. J.

O. E. Ballou of Amherst spent Sunday with his family on the Wales road.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Donovan are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

Dr. A. D. Coleman of Hartford spent Sunday at his home on Hampden avenue.

Henry E. Bugbee has been confined to the house a few days this week with sickness.

Gilbert Green is ill at his home on Pease avenue with a severe attack of the grippe.

The United Workmen will install their regular meeting next Tuesday night.

H. D. Osborne has received a reappointment as deputy sheriff, and has qualified.

A social dance will be held in the Granite Cutters' hall this evening. Tickets will be 50 cents.

John Butler has taken a position in Bridgeport, Ct., and will move his family there next week.

W. H. Wilcox has moved his furniture to Springfield, where he has a position with J. H. Wesson.

The King's Daughters will meet with Miss Hattie Drott on Lincoln street next Friday evening at 7.30.

Rev. C. C. Conner of La Crosse, Wis., preached in the Universalist church last Sunday morning.

Dr. Oscar Thompson of Boston has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson on South Main street.

Miss Carrie Tuthill of Palmer is assisting at the Academy during the illness of Miss Hibbard, who has pneumonia.

Wesley S. Brown, who has been living at Henry Wood's for the past year, has returned to his home in Malden.

The public schools will close March 3d. The Silver Street school has been closed on account of the teacher being ill.

Owing to sickness, Dr. G. E. Fuller was unable to install the officers of the G. A. R. post at Palmer Wednesday night.

The ladies of the Universalist church are planning to have a ten-cent supper at the church Tuesday evening, January 24th.

Miss Katharine Butcliffe played the organ in the Universalist church Sunday, Mrs. L. I. Chapin, the regular organist, being ill.

Miss Clara Amason has resigned her position as clerk at H. N. Butler's bakery, and will leave the first of the week for Boston.

Mrs. G. H. Newton returned Monday from a month's visit with friends in Somers, Ct. She is now visiting her daughter in Palmer.

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Rev. Edward A. Reed, D. D., of Holyoke will preach in the Congregational church next Sunday in exchange with Rev. F. S. Hatch.

The annual meeting of the Monson Cooperative Creamery Association will be held in Memorial Hall to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Miss Della O'Reilly was called to Philadelphia Tuesday on account of the severe illness of her brother, Dr. William E. O'Reilly.

The Woman's Relief Corps will hold a ten-cent supper in the G. A. R. hall this evening from 6 to 8 o'clock, to be followed by a social.

Mrs. O. G. Petrie of Palmer has been substituting at the State street primary school this past week owing to the illness of Miss Lulu Vail.

Nicolas E. Peiff of Hammond Hall, the young Bulgarian student recently taken to the Springfield hospital, is recovering and expects to be out in a few days.

Manley E. Carpenter has resigned his position as clerk at the Century House and has gone to Springfield. His place at the hotel has been taken by Richard Burke.

The University Extension Club held no meeting Monday night on account of illness of most of the members. The date of the next meeting will be announced later in the papers.

Robert Johnson, a lodger at Hotel de Sault, refused to work Wednesday morning for his night's lodging, and was taken before the Palmer court and sent to the house of correction for three months.

The class of 1900 will not entertain the class of 1901 at the Academy this evening, as was planned, owing to sickness of members of the faculty. They will probably entertain next Friday night.

The class of 1900 at the Academy has elected the following officers: President, Arthur S. Clements; vice president, Miss Sadie Hobbs; secretary, Ralph Needham; treasurer, Miss Ruth Johnson.

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The N. W. Ferry's sermon which was to have been preached Jan. 1st, was delivered last Sunday.

Oscar Schaffer has taken the contract of lighting the street lamps until June, commencing January first.

Miss Wright of Fitchburg was at the hotel last week as the guest of her sister, assistant teacher in the academy.

The regular meeting of the Brimfield Improvement Society will be held in the selectmen's room Monday evening.

Mrs. Ellsberry of Providence and Frank Bacon were in town last week, spending several days at the hotel. They were called to Brimfield by the serious illness of Mrs. Libby Bacon, Mrs. Ellsberry's sister.

LUDDLOW CENTER.
The first church held their annual meeting last week Thursday and elected these officers: Deacon for three years, Gilman D. Atchinson; clerk, Rev. E. D. Francis; treasurer, A. T. Jones; church committee, Charles P. Jones, Frank Sikes and Levett Perkins; standing committee, Henry I. Carver, William C. Walker and E. T. Potter; benevolence committee, Dea. H. E. Miller, Mrs. A. J. Clarke and Mrs. E. E. Chapman; auditor, Benjamin F. Burr. The membership of the church is 120. Fifty-four were present at the roll-call, and there was response to 81 names. About \$220 has been given to outside benevolence by the different societies during the year. Gilman D. Atchinson was chosen superintendent of the Sunday school, Carrie Munnell, secretary, N. S. Bailey of Utica, N. Y., is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Ross.

J. H. Loudon is building an addition to his mill, to use in carbonizing the stock. T. J. Hines has the contract.

Charles Grogg of Wales has sold about 30 acres of his farm in Brimfield to Frank Duplex, who will build a house on it soon.

Several Wales persons attended the funeral of Mrs. John Arnold at Stafford Springs Wednesday. Mrs. Arnold lived many years in Wales, and was much loved and respected by all. She leaves a husband and seven children.

The school teachers of the Centre schools gave their scholars a sleigh ride Tuesday. The older scholars went as far as Staffordville, but the smaller ones went about five miles. As one of the little fellows told it, they cried so with the cold the driver was obliged to start for home in great haste. It was cold enough to make big boys cry that day.

WILBRAHAM.
Mrs. Wright of Amherst and son are visiting her sister, Mrs. Elijah Munsell.

Edward H. Brewer was called home from Dalton Saturday by the illness of his mother. E. H. Brewer of Dalton was called home Saturday evening by the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. Annie C. Brewer, with gripple.

Dr. Eugene May of Washington, D. C., will lecture on "Cuba" in Fisk Hall, to-morrow evening under the auspices of "Old Club" and "Athens."

Edw. Bliss of Maplefield farm has recently enlarged his house, and put in modern improvements, including hot and cold water and steam heat.

Rev. John Maynard of New Britain, Ct., has been selected to speak at Wesleyan Academy in the afternoon of the day of prayer, and Dr. F. N. Seely of Springfield in the evening.

Mrs. Sophia Lyman, who will be eighty-five years old the 20th of this month, is recovering from the grip, as are also her daughters, Mrs. Elijah Munsell, with whom she lives, and Mrs. Wright of Amherst, the latter a guest of Mrs. Munsell. Elijah Munsell is this week having a relapse. Mrs. W. L. Phelps is nearly to be out once more after an illness of nearly a month.

BELCHERTOWN.
Rev. E. P. St. John was called to New York Saturday by the death of his father.

Mrs. William Miller of Northampton will spend the winter with Mrs. Anna Dorman. The Belchertown school has been closed on account of the illness of its teacher, Miss Fannie Doherty.

The Misses Fisher entertained a party of their friends at Rockrimmon farm Saturday afternoon and evening.

C. H. Bartlett, who recently returned from Kiondike, has accepted a position with E. J. & J. L. King of West Springfield.

M. S. Barton has been reappointed deputy sheriff by Sheriff J. E. Clark of Northampton, and qualified at the meeting of deputies.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Ball were called to Belchertown Friday by the serious illness of their grandchild, the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Towne.

Mrs. G. L. King returned to her home in Waltham last Saturday after a two weeks' visit with friends. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Anna Ella Platt.

Mrs. D. L. Hazen left last week for Jacksonville, Fla., where she will join her husband, who went some time ago. Mr. and Mrs. Hazen will remain until warm weather.

A granite tablet with the inscription "Welcome" has been presented to the Christian Endeavor Society by Joseph LaPointe. The tablet will probably be inserted in the masonry over the reading desk.

The Creamery Association has selected the old board of directors, with Alvertus Morse president, Martin Bardwell being the only new member. A new churn has recently been put in the creamery, made by the Vero of Farm Machine Company.

The death of Mrs. Mary A. Hannum, wife of Moses Hannum of North Belchertown, occurred last Friday in Springfield at the home of her son, A. L. Tilly. She had been suffering for some time with a fractured hip, and was not strong enough to bear it.

Mrs. M. A. Goodell who makes her home with Postmaster F. D. Walker, celebrated her 80th birthday Tuesday, and received her friends during the afternoon and evening in honor of the occasion. Mrs. Goodell is active in society work and attends church regularly.

The body of Mrs. Harriet Kenfield, 92, who died in South Amherst Sunday, was brought to Belchertown for burial Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Kenfield was the widow of Josiah Kenfield of Belchertown, and for many years made her home with her daughter, the late Mrs. Henry O. Mellen.

WARREN.
The Tuesday Club met with Mrs. Robbins Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Langwald read a paper on art.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Barry's infant daughter, Olive G., died suddenly last week Tuesday night. The funeral was held Saturday afternoon.

The Republican town committee has organized with the following officers: Chairman, George Bliss; clerk, Charles Blair; treasurer, W. L. Curtis.

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BRIMFIELD.
Mrs. Edward Bliss is visiting friends in Boston.

Miss Whitehouse has gone to New York for the remainder of the winter.

News has been received that Miss Alice Lyman Manley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Manley, formerly of Warren, was recently married in Hartman, Tenn., to Dr. Clifton L. Robbins.

Louis P. Holman, corporal of Co. K, 6th Massachusetts, will be mustered out some time this month and will take a position with J. S. Pl

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EAGER, F. M., Boot and Shoe Manufacturer to Order, and dealer in Leather and Findings.

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SHAW, J. B., Dealer in Dry Goods, Groceries, etc., opposite the depot.

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GROUT, GEO. E., Dealer in Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, etc., Town's Block.

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RELLEY, W. H., Attorney and Counselor at Law, Quabog Block.

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The Corset Sale.

The department was crowded yesterday but the stock is big enough to throng that section for a week yet. This sale comprises such leading makes as Warner's Royal Worcester, P. D., J. P., Donita C., Dress Reform, Beauty, P. N., S. C., Ideal, C. B., C. P., 44, 66, A. A., Guaranteed, Fashion, and a dozen or more other makes. We cannot afford space to enumerate each grade and price, because of Warner's Corsets there are 12 kinds, and so on in proportion of other makes. We simply tell you that we have arranged them in five lots as follows:—

Corsets, 30c, actual value 50c to 75c. Corsets, 50c, actual value \$1.00 to \$1.50. Corsets, 80c, actual value \$1.75 to \$2.50. Corsets, \$1.25, actual value \$2.50 to \$3.50. Corsets, \$1.90, actual value \$3.50 to \$4.50. North store.

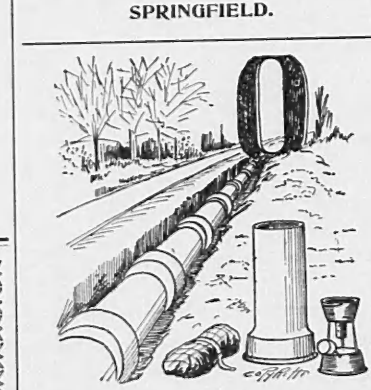
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EPILEPTIC HOSPITAL REPORT.

Covering the First Five Months of the Institution's Work.

The first report of the trustees of the Massachusetts hospital for epileptics, for the five months of the institution's existence up to September 30th, has just been published, and contains much of interest.

The hospital was opened May 24, and from then up to the time of making the report 200 patients had been received. The full number of the institution is required to provide for 200, and the demand for admission is very great. The trustees recommend the erection of a new building for the reception of new patients until they can be classified, and where provisions can be made for any persons needing special treatment.

The superintendent's report shows that 101 men and 105 women were received. Four men and one woman were discharged, and one man died. Of the admissions 83 men and 81 women were transferred to other institutions, 15 were committed directly by the courts, 17 were received upon the approval of a judge, and 10 as private voluntary patients. Of the discharges, one was much improved, one was improved, three were not improved. Two men eloped and were not returned.

The daily average number of state patients was 45.77, town patients 78.27, private patients 6.99. The average rate of board paid by private patients was \$4.21 a week. The weekly cost of maintenance for each patient was \$2.62. About \$1 a week should be added to this in allowance for supplies on hand May 2 and consumed prior to October 1. This cost will be reduced as the number of patients increases, as their labor improves by teaching and development, and as the cost of food is reduced.

Great stress is laid upon the necessity for suitable employment for patients. Many have never had any regular occupation, and have no knowledge of how to perform any sort of labor. Two per cent of the patients are young and teachable, and a school of 30 pupils has been organized to teach elementary subjects and prepare them for manual training. Boys and men will be taught shoemaking, tailoring, printing, carpentry and other work. Twenty-four of the more dejected men have been employed in grading and road building, 15 on the farm, two in the laundry, six in the kitchen, one each in the store and bakery, one in the clerical work, the office, and two as messengers and bell boys. Of the women, five have been doing general housework at the cottage, four at the administration building, two have worked in the kitchen, 14 in the laundry, and 15 in the sewing room.

Monson Man Feels Abused.

F. D. Monson feels that he has been imposed upon by two of the selectmen. A recent left her goods in Mr. Beach's house when she went away from there with her expenses in arrears. As the end of six weeks had passed and she was sick all the time, Mr. Beach took care of her, and Mr. Beach furnished coal and wood, as she was known to have her goods in Mr. Beach's house. She paid Mr. Beach \$1 a day for her board, and then refused to pay any more. Selectman Fokit then took the case in hand and applied to State Agent White of Boston, who came to Monson and after looking into the matter allowed Mr. Beach \$1 a day for the 15 days the woman was there after application was made to him. He told Mr. Beach that if the woman had not disposed of her money she would probably pay her bill if she felt afraid that she would have her goods about her goods. She is now a state ward in Connecticut. Several days ago Mr. Fokit showed Mr. Beach a letter from her asking for some part of her property. Two or three days later, while Mr. and Mrs. Beach were out, Selectman McGray and Fokit went to the house and took a team and the door of Mr. Beach's part unlocked, walked in, unlocked the front door, which the tenant did not hire, and carried nearly all of her goods down the stairs and loaded them into the wagon. Two or three articles of small value belonging to Mr. Beach were also removed, by mistake, and the goods were soiled and damaged in the doing of the work. After Mr. Beach appeared on the scene it is stated that he was a "hot" man, and the selectmen finally retreated. Mr. Beach does not intend to sue, but he does claim that the selectmen had no right to take them without papers and an officer.

But the Burglar Didn't Appear.

Night Officer Conroy thought he had discovered evidence of a burglar in the barndoor of Mr. A. B. Beck & Co. in Palmer, and he kept the door closed for some time, but he failed to get him. For some time a light has been kept burning in the rear of the store as a safeguard against thieves, and the light was going all right when the officer was in the rear of the building about 10 o'clock. About 12:30, when making his last round, the light was out! The officer supposed to go home at 12, and it was thought the burglar had been watching until that time, then he went home. The officer gathered in all the available force to be found at that time, including a clerk of the store, a caterer, a street-railway motorman and a conductor, an ex-member of Uncle Sam's army, and others, eight in all, and placing three of them in the rear door and four abreast they walked down the store, weapons drawn and ears alert for the slightest sound. Arriving at the place where the lamp was kept the officer, with one eye on the lamp and the other on the darkness beyond, reached out and found the "glim." There was no one there. The joke was on the officer, though the incident evidenced his watchfulness and determination to prevent damage to the property under his charge.

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Raymond Ford, who has been quite ill, is recovering.

Dr. E. S. Bryant spent Sunday with friends in Brockton.

The Mothers' Club met with Mrs. D. L. Bodfish this afternoon.

The King's Daughters met with Mrs. C. W. Robinson Tuesday.

Rev. Mr. Thayer of Ayer preached in the Baptist church last Sunday.

Mrs. Helena Davis is refitting the interior of her house on Pleasant street.

The Burpee house at Palmer Center has been sold to George Lamb for about \$300.

Mrs. G. H. Newton of Monson has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Fitch, this week.

Mrs. G. W. Lent, matron at the town farm, is confined to her home with the gripe.

Postmaster F. A. Royce was called to Boston Sunday to attend the funeral of his sister-in-law.

Mrs. E. H. Truesdale has been confined to her home on North Main street this week with the gripe.

A number of Palmerites are planning to attend the basketball game in Thorndike to-morrow night.

Miss Katherine Mullaney of Pittsfield is visiting her brother, P. H. Mullaney, of South Main street.

Miss Henrietta Pratt entertained a party of 50 guests at her home in the Converse House last Friday evening.

There was a cottage prayer meeting at the home of Richard Brown on South Main street Monday evening.

A fine clock has been placed in the office of the Converse House, which will be regulated every noon by telegraph.

Mrs. Walter Kensonson and son have returned from a month's visit with Mrs. Kensonson's parents near Winchester.

Friends of Mrs. E. N. Fay will be sorry to learn that she has been ill at her home for several weeks, and is yet very feeble.

Prof. H. S. Cowell, principal of Cushing Academy at Ashburnham, will occupy the pulpit of the Congregational church next Sunday.

On account of the illness of Mrs. J. B. Shaw, the meeting of the Tuesday Club at the home of Mrs. J. B. Shaw on North Main street next Tuesday. The club will be entertained at tea by Mrs. Shaw.

Dr. S. H. Ellery is improving the appearance of his property on the corner of Park and Walnut streets by the removal of the fence surrounding it.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Loomis will celebrate their golden wedding next Monday, and will keep open house and be pleased to receive their friends from 3 to 8 p. m. at their home on South Main street.

William Miller has resigned his position as manager of the Tuesday Club, and has gone to Chester, Pa., where he has accepted a position. Frank A. Thayer, the former partner of Mr. Tutts, has taken his place.

School scholars in the first intermediate school were neither absent nor tardy during the full term: Ray Buffington, Adeline Coles, Annie Connor, John Harrington, Ernest McGregory, Elsie Stevenson, Jennie Todd, Vivian Wright.

The social at the Y. P. S. C. E. at the Congregational church Wednesday evening was an enjoyable event. A programme consisting of piano solos by Miss May Fiske, violin solos by Edna Fisk, Jr., and recitations by Miss Buxton of Springfield, was rendered, after which coffee and cake were served.

The Ladies' Social Union of St. Paul's Universalist church held its annual meeting Tuesday afternoon and elected these officers: President, Mrs. H. A. Barthrop; 1st vice president, Mrs. William Barrett; 2nd vice president, Mrs. William Webster; secretary, Mrs. O. G. Petrie; treasurer, Mrs. Charles Keith. A social was held at 6 o'clock.

The Eagle Athletic Club has elected these officers for the ensuing year: President, Newton Wing; vice president, Blatney; secretary, William Barrett; treasurer, George Warner. The club will form a basketball team in the near future, which will be a huster, if up to the standard of the club's baseball and football teams.

Mrs. Mary Whipple, 73, died Wednesday night at the home of Frank Emory near Forest Lake, where she had been for some time. Besides Mrs. Emory she leaves another daughter, Mrs. Ida M. Smith of Trenton, Mo., and two sons, Vinet A. and Charles A. Whipple of Bank Center, Mich.

Francis M. Angell of North Wilbraham, living between Three Rivers and that place, was examined in the district court Tuesday as to his sanity, declared insane and committed to Northampton for treatment.

Angell's case is somewhat peculiar, as he is not considered out of his right mind by many, though physically and the officials at the asylum say that he is.

At the annual meeting of the Once-a-Week Club at the Converse House Saturday night, the following officers were elected: President, E. R. Pierce; vice president, G. S. Holden; secretary and treasurer, E. W. Carpenter; steward, W. H. Osgood and A. G. Newton were chosen a committee to draft by-laws.

E. R. Pierce will entertain to-morrow night the members of the Once-a-Week Club and the Zittimas Club of Monson at a banquet in the Converse House.

The fire alarm went on a rampage about 12:30 Tuesday morning, and roused many people from their quiet slumbers, though they got out to the fire, it being apparent that there was something wrong. The bell would strike a dozen strokes at a rapid rate, then wait a moment and strike a half a dozen, and then a dozen more, with numerous variations on the theme. The trouble was caused by an electric light wire on a pole near the engine house, which in some way got in contact with the pole, and assisted by the rain, which had soaked everything, had a short circuit. The current was finally shut off at the electric station and the trouble remedied.

These officers of Revere chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, were installed last Friday night: W. M., Mrs. Emma G. Keith; W. R., A. C. Thompson; A. M., Mrs. Jennie M. Carpenter; chaplain, Mrs. Emily Wilbur; treasurer, Mrs. Mary A. Royce; secretary, Miss Jennie Brainerd; Adah, Miss Carrie F. Fish; Ruth, Miss Bessie M. Royce; Esther, Mrs. Alice Petrie; Martha, Mrs. Laura Davis; Electa, Mrs. M. Louise Palmer; warden, Mrs. Margaret McGilp; sentinel, W. A. Weld; organist, Miss Jennie E. Weld. Masons, their families and invited guests attended the installation. Miss Lena Lamb, Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter, and Mrs. Gale of Orange, Grand Marshall, were the installing officers.

THE LEGISLATURE'S DOINGS.

BOSTON, JAN. 19, 1899.

The event of the week has been the reelection of Senator Lodge for another term of six years in the national Senate. This has been anticipated ever since it was known that he would like a second term, and there has been at no time any probability that any other candidate would be elected. There was considerable inquiry during the summer and fall on the part of those who preferred some other candidate, but no such candidate could be found. If there had been a strong man to rally around, he would have had material support, but he was not forthcoming and all the opposition fell to the ground. Not even the difference of opinion over the imperial institution affected Lodge's reelection, except that Senator Parsons of Franklin and one of the Franklin county Republican representatives decided to vote for him. This made it clear that Franklin county was solid against Lodge, but otherwise the Republicans voted for him. It was a statement of his constituents, for he was urged to vote for him. Every other part of the state stood by him, and it is to be noticed that even other candidates, such as Mr. Swift of Taubert, voted for Lodge.

The Democrats had a long wrangle in their caucus over the nominee. Some wanted Patrick A. Collins, who was the nominee at the last election, but who was not elected because he was a gold Democrat and wanted Alexander B. Bruce, the late candidate for governor. Some who wanted to mix city politics and to boom John E. Murphy for mayor of Boston when Mayor Quincy shall have finished, voted for him. But after five ballots they concentrated on Bruce, who had 36 of the 46 votes cast. But it was only an empty honor. Bruce, by the way, seems to be a thrifty business man. He has introduced a bill to raise from 14 to 15 years the age under which no minor shall be employed in any factory, workshop or mercantile establishment. Equalization of wages and of hours of labor is another of the plans proposed. This was explained as follows:—The House has entered the realm of life insurance and presented a bill providing that when any policy holder shall have paid money enough, without interest and dividends, to equal the face of the policy, then the company shall give him a cash bonus, a bonus of 75 cents for every \$100 paid. It is a safe to say that such a bill, cutting so deeply into the profits of the company, will never be passed by the House. The Democrats cut no figure whatever in the vote for United States senator. Lodge will receive the commission at the hands of Gov. Wolcott, and will serve for six years ending on March 1, 1905.

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Hastings Grade Crossing Accident Inquest Finished.

The inquest in the Hastings grade crossing accident, which occurred August 27th of last year, resulting in the death of six persons, which was postponed from September 22d, was resumed in the district court before Judge Leach this afternoon. Train Agent Holton of the Boston and Maine road, and State Railroad Inspector Upton were present. Clarence E. Phinney, who was in the barge at the end of the bridge, all the curtains were up, and he sat facing the train which struck the barge; heard no whistle nor bell; the first he knew of the train's presence was when the headlights appeared around the curve. The entire conversation of the party after starting had been solely upon the question of whether the "scout" train had passed, all supposing that it had.

A. C. Cobb, living about half a mile from the crossing, had started for Forest Lake with his wife, and heard the continual blowing of the engine whistle after the accident; heard no regular crossing signal of the whistle.

William H. Moore, employed by Mr. Phinney, was piloting a wagon in the barn when he heard the "scout" coming; heard no whistle or bell; in a few moments heard the crash of the accident and went to the scene, where he found the victims.

James D. Goodwin, the engineer of the train, was called and asked if he wished to make any change in his previous statements regarding the blowing of the whistle that night, and reasserted that the whistle was blown.

Nelson St. John, living about a mile and a half from the crossing, stated that he heard the "scout" running on the night of the accident, and before the crossing was reached and the train stopped he heard the regular crossing signal, two long and two short blasts of the whistle.

This closed the hearing. Judge Leach will take the stenographer's copy of the evidence under consideration, and will place his findings on file in Springfield.

Mrs. C. P. Tryon was in Worcester Tuesday.

Mrs. A. C. Thompson is ill with the grippe.

Dr. S. H. Eiley is out again, after a severe sickness.

Ernest Powers spent the first of the week in Worcester.

Rufus Stimson is visiting his parents at Palmer Center.

Miss Blanche Ramsden is visiting friends in Stafford, Ct.

D. L. Bodfish visited friends in Wareham a few days this week.

Miss Margaret Carvin spent Sunday with friends in Springfield.

Several new law books have been added to the library of the district court.

Dr. H. Edward Sikes of Middletown, Ct., is visiting his parents on State avenue.

Mrs. William Wetherell of Westboro has been visiting friends in town this week.

Miss Lillian Huntington, who has been visiting friends in New London, has returned home.

The annual rental of the pews of St. Paul's Universalist church took place Tuesday evening.

The school committee has elected C. E. Felt chairman, in place of W. A. Breckenridge, resigned.

The youngest child of Jesse Rogers left Thursday afternoon, cutting quite a severe gash near his eye.

Charles Bradley, of the telephone exchange office, has been ill at his home in Monson this week.

Dr. J. P. Schneider attended the meeting of the Eastern Hampden Medical Society in Springfield Tuesday.

P. A. Boyce has been unable to attend to his duties at the post office this week, owing to an attack of the grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Woolrich will leave to-morrow for California, where they expect to remain for some time.

Mrs. Jessie Rogers sang contralto in the Congregational choir Sunday, Mrs. Flint being sick with the grippe.

Henry F. Huse of the Newton Theological Seminary will occupy the pulpit of the Baptist church next Sunday.

The only civil entry made at the district court last Saturday was that of Lizzie Grogan against T. J. Dwyer, executor.

Miss Tillie Lacouline has returned to her duties as telegraph operator in the office of C. E. Fish, after a few weeks' vacation.

G. Hitchcock & Co., who will be compelled to vacate their store in the near future, will not remove their business from this village.

Miss Hattie Farwell, who received a severe fall on the sidewalk near her home on Park street some time ago, is still confined to her bed.

The Congregational Sunday school class of which Mrs. W. H. Higgins, Jr., is a member, met at Mrs. Higgins' home and presented her a book Tuesday evening.

A quantity of household goods, including feather beds, chamber sets, sewing machine, etc., will be sold at auction to-morrow afternoon at 1 o'clock in the vacant store in the Lawrence block on Main street.

The meetings of the Lead-Hand Club of the Congregational church, which were discontinued until after the holidays, will be resumed. The club meets next Thursday afternoon in the church parlors.

H. A. Northrop is filling Clark & Hastings' mammoth refrigerator, beginning work yesterday. This morning the arm at the roof of the building which holds the tank, broke, delaying the work somewhat.

Economical buyers of clothing will be interested in the announcement of C. K. Gamwell, in another column. He finds that he has more winter garments on hand than is desirable, and proposes to make prices which will ensure their quick removal from the store.

Louis Elkin has established an upholstery business in this village, and announces himself in readiness to do anything desired in that line, guaranteeing satisfaction. He will call for and deliver work at any point within five miles of Palmer. His post office address is box 936.

At the 19th annual meeting of the county commissioners of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, held at Boston Wednesday, William H. Brainerd, chairman of the Hampden county commissioners, was honored with the election to the chairmanship of that body.

Miss Annie Fraser of Toronto, a graduate of the New Era school at Worcester, is announced to give free lectures on dietetics in the opera house to and to-morrow afternoon, each lecture to be followed by practical chafing dish demonstrations. Ladies attending are requested to take fork, spoon and napkin, as "many dainty dishes will be served to all who come." The lectures are at 2:30, and a handsomely illustrated and practical cookbook will be given each lady as a souvenir.

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, the free entertainments given by Dr. Florence A. Solomon in the opera house last week were well attended, and highly appreciated. The entertainments are of refined nature, and Dr. Solomon and the American Lady Orchestra made a favorable

impression among their sex in this vicinity. While delivering her lecture Dr. Solomon wears a beautiful Grecian robe, and her appearance and lecture made a lasting impression on her audiences.

Mrs. Mary E. Tanner, 72, widow of William Tanner, who formerly resided in Greenfield, died of pneumonia Wednesday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. T. Huntington, after a week's illness. Mrs. Tanner had resided in this town for thirty years, and for the past three years had lived with Mrs. Huntington. Besides the daughter with whom she resided, she leaves two others, Miss Ella Keith of Holyoke and Mrs. I. N. Brogan of New London. Her funeral was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the residence of H. T. Huntington on Pine street.

The opera house will be occupied this evening by the firemen and their friends, at the third annual concert and ball of the town's fire fighters. During the intermission supper will be served in the banquet room above by the Daughters of Rebekah. Brigham's orchestra will furnish music for dancing, and also for the preceding concert, rendering this programme:

March, Schley's Victory, Laurendeau
Rochester Solo, Longing for Home, Hartman
Selection, Lucerne, Fred J. Burke, Catlin
Xylophone Solo, 2d Air Variations, Mohr
Finale, descriptive of life in Ye Olden Time—Le Thiere Synopsie—Saurie—Astrin
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Blacksmith's Forge—The May Queen—The May Pole Dance—Grove—The Village Choir—Moonlight (Lover's Serenade)—Finale.

THREE RIVERS.

J. K. Knox is visiting relatives in Springfield.

Miss Lucy Gier is suffering from an attack of the grippe.

Richard Wier moved his family to West Warren last Friday.

Mrs. F. W. Lavine returned Tuesday from a visit with relatives in Montreal.

Fred Maddox, Miss Mary Bitters and Mrs. J. H. Trickett are ill with the grippe.

Frank Butler of Cambridge spent a few days with Watson Coleman last week.

Miss Edith Thresher of Barre Plains visited her cousin, Mrs. Herbert Chamberlain, last week.

A business meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society was held at the home of Mrs. A. S. Barton Wednesday afternoon.

A meeting of the standing committee of the Union church was held at the home of R. C. Newell Tuesday evening.

Prof. Chandler gave a farewell reception to the members of his class in dancing and their friends, last Friday evening. Music for dancing was furnished by Hume's orchestra. A number from out of town were present.

THORNDIKE.

Mrs. Gendron is dangerously ill at her home on Church street.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hutchinson are happy over the arrival of a son.

A few from this place will attend the firemen's ball at Palmer to-night.

Miss Irene Brown of Palmer was the guest of the Misses Hartnett on Sunday.

Maurice F. Kellier of Boston spent several days in town recently, returning on Tuesday.

E. B. Williams and Victor D. Murdoch have returned from their visit with relatives in Millbury.

Miss Katie Daily has returned from a vacation of several weeks with relatives in Providence, R. I.

Miss Ada Murdoch went to Worcester this week to give a reading at an entertainment given in that city.

The Misses Bennett have resigned their positions in the mills and returned to their home in West Warren.

The condition of Charles Warner, who fell from a building here several days ago, remains about the same.

Several Thorndike ladies attended the lectures at Palmer opera house last week given by Dr. Florence Solomon.

On account of the rain and slippery going on Friday the party planned to attend the Foresters' ball at Ware decided not to go.

Martin F. Hurley has taken a position as advance agent for the Libby Glass Blowers, and commenced his new duties on Monday.

A few from Thorndike went to Three Rivers on Friday evening to attend the dancing class reception. All report a very pleasant time. The affair was a full-dress one, and the gowns worn by the ladies were very handsome.

The basket ball players who have been practicing for some time will play their first game to-morrow evening in Union Hall; game called at 8 o'clock. Admission will be 15 cents, and the stage will be reserved for ladies and their escorts. The game is new to most people in this vicinity, but is said to be intensely exciting. The players and positions will be:

Center, C. Reed
Right Forward, D. C. Felt
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P. Murphy.

BONDVILLE.

Pula Bartholomew has the grippe.

Mrs. Lewis Holden is sick with the grippe.

Mrs. Thomas Waterhouse is ill with grippe.

Frank Taylor is at home on account of slight illness.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Childs were in Boston over Sunday.

Class meeting will be held at A. M. Bond's next Monday evening.

George Canterbury is at West Warren, making repairs upon the mill.

Rufus Bond has started his new gasoline engine at his wood working mill.

Quarantine for scarlet fever has been removed from the house of Frank Lamb.

Mrs. William Taylor spent Wednesday and Thursday in Springfield and Chicago.

The Epworth League is preparing for a supper and entertainment next Wednesday evening.

Seven teachers of the Brimfield public schools visited the Bondville school one day last week.

Watchman Michael Collins has resumed his duties after a two-weeks' engagement with the grippe.

The infant child of Patrick Sullivan was buried Sunday, this being the third child he has lost in five months.

A large number of Bondville people were among the audience at Rice's Comedians at Palmer Wednesday evening.

Several Bondville ladies attended the lectures of Dr. Florence Solomon at the Palmer opera house last week.

Walter Russell, clerk at O. A. Parent's store, has been out of the store for two days on account of sickness in his family.

Thomas Bruce has been confined to his home three days with the grippe. John Connor is also suffering from the same complaint.

Mrs. Charles D. Holden and child have returned from Palmer, after a week's visit among relatives. The little one has been quite ill during her stay.

Mrs. George Merriam has returned from Ware, where she has been for several days caring for mother, Mrs. Thomas Kennedy, who is very sick with grippe.

Mrs. Lewis Holden has an orange tree which she raised from seed planted about 7 years ago. It has lately had quite a number of good sized oranges on it at once.

There was a Polish wedding, with the usual dance in the evening, last Saturday, and it is reported that there is to be another next Saturday and one the Saturday following.

Henry Langelier, his daughter Mrs. Summers, and grandson George Summers, of Grand Forks, North Dakota, have been the guests of F. W. Langelier. They left Bondville Monday for Boston.

Mrs. Lee, aged about 73, mother of Mrs. Charles Armstrong, died of pneumonia Monday night at Burlington, Vt., and was buried

at that place Thursday. Mrs. Armstrong has been caring for mother since her illness assumed a dangerous form.

The Epworth League will give a pink tea and entertainment next Wednesday evening.

The entertainment will consist of readings, music, and a dialogue entitled "Uncle Jacob's Money." Admission, five cents; supper, ten cents.

The King's Daughters held their annual meeting at the home of Miss Christina Russell Monday evening, and officers and committees were elected for the ensuing year as follows: Leader, Mrs. Warren Fisher; vice leader, Mrs. Charles T. Gardner; secretary, Miss Bessie Alexander; treasurer, Miss Alice Thompson; entertainment committee, Mrs. Samuel Thayer, Misses Bessie Alexander and Lou Moulton; flower and visiting committee, Misses Alice Merrifield, Grace Taylor and Mary McLeod; work committee, Mrs. E. G. Childs, Mrs. Charles Gardner and Mrs. R. W. VanTassel. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. Fisher's on January 30th.

Miss Jennie E. Scott, representing the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society of the Methodist church, spoke in the interests of that society at the Methodist church Tuesday evening. Miss Scott has traveled extensively throughout the South, and gave many graphic word pictures of life among the blacks and poor whites, and the work being done by the Methodist church to elevate them. The Freedmen's Aid society was first formed solely for the education of the freedmen after the war. It was the first of the kind of the poor whites as low and even lower than that of the negroes, who in many localities looked down upon and refused to associate with the "poor white trash" as an order of being inferior to themselves, and the wish of the world's "Southern Education," and schoolhouses were erected where they also might receive education. There are now nearly fifty schools belonging to the society, with industrial departments. There are five million people in the South, and who can neither read nor write, and including children under three years of age. Since the class of the war the M. E. church has given nearly twelve million dollars; of this the Freedmen's Aid has given about five million. At the close of the lecture a collection was taken and pledges for the work were received.

(FOR OTHER LOCAL NEWS SEE FIRST PAGE)

HAMPTDEN.

Mrs. Boyd of Springfield has been visiting at her former home.

Mrs. Mary Irish, 86, widow of Daniel W. Irish, died last Saturday. The funeral was held at her late home Tuesday.

The revival meetings which have been held for the past two weeks were continued this week at the Baptist church. Rev. E. S. Ufford, author of "Throw Out the Life-Line," is assisting the pastors with the singing.

Miss Sarah C. Burr, 83, died at her home Saturday night of old age. She was a native of Hampton, her ancestors being among the original settlers. Henry Stebbins formerly of Springfield, now of Hartford, Ct., is her nearest living relative. The funeral was held at her late residence Wednesday morning.

WARREN.

Two more cases of scarlet fever have developed at West Warren.

Miss Loren Peebles was the guest of Mrs. Eugene Root over Sunday.

Fred Holdsworth of Cambridge spent Sunday at his home on Maple street.

William J. Melvin, a former resident of Warren, is in town visiting old acquaintances.

Deputy Fred T. Wilcox and suite installed the officers of the Old Fellows at Ware Wednesday evening.

While Frank St. George was using a pickaxe to dig himself in the chest, making a wound which required several stitches.

Miss Mildred Packard and Miss Eliza Buck took part in a recital last Friday evening given in the music rooms of L. M. Pierce in Springfield.

Arthur Tucker of Monson has taken a position with the Torkelson Manufacturing Co., and will make his home with Mrs. Ezra Tucker on Maple street.

The Democratic town committee has organized with the following officers: Chairman, William J. Tegan; clerk, Thomas F. Clark, Jr.; treasurer, James F. Hill.

L. Walter Sargent, assistant state superintendent of drawing, delivered a very interesting address in the town hall Wednesday evening on "The value of art in everyday life."

William H. Hitchcock had his right foot injured at the Slater Engine Company's works Wednesday afternoon by a heavy casting falling on it. The great toe was badly crushed, but no bones were broken.

These officers have been elected by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union: President, Mrs. A. D. Shipman; vice president, Mrs. Mary E. Jennings; secretary, Mrs. George Corey; treasurer, Mrs. H. H. Bennett.

Michael Kelley died quite suddenly Wednesday morning in the Worcester Insane Asylum, where he was committed a short time ago, death being caused by pneumonia. A widow and three daughters survive him.

The following officers of Alpha Rebekah lodge of Odd Fellows will be installed Monday evening: N. G. C. H. Richards; V. G. Mrs. D. G. Weston; R. S. Mrs. Fred Lincoln; F. Mrs. F. E. Wilcox; F. S. Mrs. Herbert P. Johnson.

Mrs. Ellen A. Jenks, mother of William A. Jenks, died at her home in Worcester Tuesday morning of pneumonia. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon. The Saylor & Jenks Company shut down and the superintendent and foreman attended the funeral.

A claim for \$2000 has been produced against the Slater Engine Company by James F. Hill, who claims that that amount is due him for raising the money about six years ago for the Warren Building and Improvement Company, who own the property which is occupied by the Slater Engine Company.

The concert given in the town hall Tuesday evening by the Svendson Trio and Tremont Male Quartet of Boston drew a full house, and was very favorably received. The new piano—a Kragger—which has recently been purchased for the hall, was used for the first time and was very satisfactory. The next entertainment in the course will be given by John Temple Graves.

The following officers of Knowles Council of Royal Arcanum were installed Monday evening: R. Fred E. Wilcox; V. R. Thomas Clark, Jr.; O. Charles H. Walker; P. R. Clarence M. Sylvester; secretary, W. Carey Gage; collector, James N. F. Quinn; treasurer, George Bliss; chaplain, Edward L. Fosket; guide, Homer A. Tidd; W. Eugene Root; S. Herbert A. Day; trustees, John M. Drake, Walter A. Putnam and Charles H. Walker.

The annual social gathering of the Congregational church was held at the chapel Friday evening. Supper was served at 7 o'clock. Owing to the prevalence of grippe and the icy storm only about 60 were present. At 7:30 W. E. Patrick, master of ceremonies, very pleasantly introduced the speakers, who responded to the following subjects: "The Sunday school, the threshold of the church," W. H. Warren; "The Woman's Board," Mrs. W. B. Olson; "Responsibilities of the prudential committee," Doa. C. H. Walker. The last subject, "Rightly dividing the Word of Truth," drew forth a most earnest testimony from the pastor, Rev. W. B. Olson. A pleasant social hour followed.

The matter of Connecticut river navigation has received substantial recognition by the river and harbor committee at Washington, who yesterday voted to put an item in the appropriation bill allowing \$25,000 for a survey of the river above Hartford. The appropriation came near being lost, as the vote in the morning session was six to five against it. But in the afternoon, owing to hard work and personal canvassing on the part of Representatives Gillett and Lawrence and Mr. Barrett, who is a member of the committee, the vote was changed to eight to four in favor of the appropriation. This will be good news to the manufacturers and business men of Western Massachusetts, who hope to some time get a material reduction in their freight bills by way of the Connecticut river and water transportation.

It looks as though the Boston and Albany railroad might have an entrance into New York independent of the New York, New Haven and Hartford. It wishes the new Central New England railroad has secured control of the Poughkeepsie bridge system, and announces that the link between Tarryville, Ct., and Springfield will be built within a year. This taps the Boston and Albany at Middletown, and should that road desire it, would afford an excellent entrance into New York. It is announced that no combination has been made with the B. and A., but the presence of Mr. Rumrill and C. W. Chapin on the board of directors of the new road have set the rumors going at a lively rate.

Hampden county taxpayers will not object to the reduced amount of the county tax this year, which the commissioners will ask the Legislature to fix at \$126,000, a reduction of \$10,000 from last year. There is a balance of \$45,000 on hand from last year, and the receipts from various sources are estimated at \$24,000. In 1890 the tax was \$165,000; in 1897, \$164,000; in 1898, \$162,000.

FARMERS who have apples in good condition may congratulate themselves, for a rise in price of choice winter fruit is promised in a short time. Good fruit now brings \$3 or \$3.50 a barrel, and a dollar is expected to be added to the price soon.

If it took the best furnished army a quarter part of the time to reach its destination which it takes the investigating committee to learn any facts about it, the only wonder is that any of it was fit to eat.

DIED.

In Palmer, 18th, Mrs. Mary Whipple, 74.

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In Palmer Center, 10th, Alfred Trumble, 52.

In Springfield, 15th, George A. Pelton, 73.

In Wilburham, 14th, Hester, 84, wife of A. D. Tutts.

In Hampton, 14th, Mrs. Mary Irish, 86.

In Hampton, 14th, Miss Sarah C. Burr, 83, 7m.

In Springfield, 15th, Mrs. Elizabeth Winter, 90, formerly of Belchertown.

In Worcester, 17th, Mrs. Ellen A. Jenks, mother of William A. Jenks of Worcester.

In Worcester, 17th, Michael Kelley, of Warren.

FOR SALE.—Second-hand Set Bobs with frame body. E. A. BUCK & CO. 37 tf

TO RENT.—Two tenements on Fox avenue, 44 tf. Apply to G. B. HOLDEN.

ANYONE having Rags to sell, such as Mink, Fox, Skunk, etc., will find a cash buyer by writing to C. H. BABCOCK, Palmer. 2-42

TO RENT.—On Feb. 1st, four houses, six rooms, 44 tf. GEORGE A. KEITH, Palmer.

TO RENT.—To RENT, furnace heat, electric lights and water closet. H. A. NORTHROP, Palmer. 29-1

TO RENT.—Two 6-room tenements in Cross street. Inquire of F. F. MARCY or D. L. BODFISH. 30-1

TO RENT.—In C. L. Gardner's house on Converse avenue. Inquire of W. W. LEACH, Palmer. 40-1

BEKSHIRE BOAR.—This very fine Boar will be for service at the Standard Place, West Main street, Palmer, Mass. G. E. BUCK. 3-42

WANTED.—Reliable and Experienced Salesman and Greases on Commission. Address: THE CLINTON OIL CO., Cleveland, Ohio.

TO RENT.—In "Thayer" house on South Main street, Palmer. Inquire at THOMPSON'S BLACKSMITH SHOP, 40-1

WOOD, \$3.00 PER CORD.—Mixed Oak, Chestnut, and Pine Wood, small size, delivered any part of village, \$3.50 per cord in 4-foot lengths, or cut stove length at usual advance. Have orders at BUCK'S HARDWARE STORE, or home of GEORGE E. BUCK. 3-1

AMHERST! AMHERST! I will sell one or four houses, have been twenty-five years collecting them. I want a change. Will give twelve years they paid ten per cent. One of twelve rooms is rented for two hundred dollars. The land is worth half the price of two thousand dollars. Over an acre of land in all. Two buildings close by the college. Half way from Post Office to Central Mass. Depot. Electric Cars run by door. J. VALENTINE LENTELL. 6-42

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My long experience and my desire to PLEASE enables me to guarantee satisfaction to customers. Goods taken from houses and delivered when finished in both Palmer and Monson and all places not further than five miles from Palmer.

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given by Misses Annie and Carrie Fish, Palmer. 2-12

"Where's Your Home?"

The story is told of a certain Evangelist (and he doesn't live more than a thousand miles from Springfield, either) who was once holding a revival in one of the larger towns of a neighboring state. Among other apparent penitents was a sad-looking man, who sat in a back seat. He looked like a stranger, and the good Evangelist accosted him with: "Where's your home, my friend?" "Hartford, where's yours?" said the stranger. "My home is in Heaven, I hope," replied the Evangelist. "Well, it will take you a good deal longer to get home than it will me," said the sad-looking man, as he started for the door.

This story, hasn't much to do with clothing, only we'd like to know where your home is. If it's in Springfield, or any near-by town, you've probably been in to see us, and so you know something of the splendid clothing we sell and the very reasonable prices we sell it at. You know, probably, that we're selling the Stein-Block Co.'s superb Overcoats in Fine Ketcys and Boucle cloths, Patent Beavers, Myrtle Green Meltons, English Whipcoats, Genuine Australian Wool Vicunas, Carr's Meltons and the famous Scotch Elysians, all superbly lined, tailored, trimmed, and hand finished throughout, at \$15, \$18, \$20, \$22 and \$25. You know, probably, that we sell the finest Derby and "Tourist" Hats and at \$3 and \$3.50, and that our Men's Blue and Black Beaver Cloth Caps at 48 and 98c are wonderful values indeed. You know that we'll be glad to supply you, for \$1.98, a handsome watch, ladies' or gentlemen's style, hunting or open face, with every purchase of \$10.00 or over. This is a good time to get acquainted, and to get better acquainted still, if you know us already—See?

Clothing that is Clothing. Hats, Caps and Furnishings to Match.

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Many Hats

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

MONSON.

Miss Etta Lewis is confined to the house with the gripe.

James Pendergast has that popular disease, the gripe.

E. L. King is able to be out again after an attack of the gripe.

Mrs. Charles Burlington visited relatives in Amherst the first of the week.

The King's Daughters will meet with Miss Hattie Orent this evening at 7:30.

Miss Olive Goodman of Belchertown has taken a position at H. N. Butler's.

Day Spring lodge of masons will hold a special meeting to-morrow evening.

The Alpha Club will meet with Miss Gertrude Bennett next Monday night.

A meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was held Monday evening.

Joseph Fagan, clerk at C. M. Gage's store, is confined to the house with the gripe.

The Woman's Relief Corps will hold its regular meeting next Wednesday night.

Mrs. A. H. Wallace returned Saturday from a visit with her sister in Meriden, Ct.

J. M. Wright has recovered from an attack of the gripe and is able to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Lamphere returned this week from a visit with friends in Lynn.

The Ladies' Circle met with Mrs. William J. Ricketts yesterday afternoon and evening.

A regular meeting of A. A. Gage camp, Sons of Veterans, will be held Tuesday night.

Miss Mary Hobbs of Amherst spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Hobbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Anna Hobbs returned Wednesday from a visit with friends in Stafford Springs.

H. T. Chapin has taken a position in Portland, Maine, with the New England Telephone Company.

Mauley Carpenter, recently clerk at the Century Hotel, has taken a position at the Monson House.

At the meeting of Monson lodge of Odd Fellows Monday night the first degree was worked on one candidate.

A social dance was held at Granite Cutter's Hall, Wednesday evening by the Amherst Order of Elks.

Senior Post Commander W. J. Ricketts will install the officers of Marcus Keep post, G. A. R., next Monday night.

Rev. C. C. Conner of La Crosse, Wis., who preached in the Universalist church last Sunday, returned again last Sunday.

The Ladies' Circle of the Universalist church will give a ten-cent supper at the church next Tuesday night from 6 to 8 o'clock.

Mrs. John Lyons, Jr., and two children returned Wednesday afternoon several weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. P. J. Herlihy, in Middletown, Ct.

On account of the small attendance at the meeting of the Monson Cooperative creamery association Saturday afternoon, no business was transacted.

The Masonic Club has elected the following officers: President, G. E. Willis; vice president, C. A. Wilman; secretary and treasurer, R. A. Thierfeldt.

There was a large attendance at the supper given by the Woman's Relief Corps in G. A. R. hall last Friday night. After the supper the young people indulged in singing and dancing.

Milton M. Brown, of the firm of E. H. Brown & Son, has taken a position as musician with a company of glass blowers.

Mr. Brown joined the company Wednesday at North Dana.

Fred S. Chapman was called suddenly to his home in Easthampton Monday evening on account of the illness of his mother. His store was in charge of Mrs. L. L. Chapin during his absence.

The main pipe of the Monson water works sprung a leak on Main street near Park avenue Wednesday forenoon, but was quickly repaired by Superintendent Lockwood with little damage.

D. W. Ellis & Sons' woolen mill will shut down to-night for a short time. With the exception of S. F. Cushman & Sons' mill, which is running on part time, the woolen business is at a standstill.

George Gleason of New York, a representative of the intercollegiate Y. M. C. A., has been visiting the Academy this week and has formed a branch of the Y. M. C. A. among the boys of the school.

A meeting of the Universalist parish will be held in the church vestry next Tuesday evening to take action towards engaging a pastor for the church, made necessary by the resignation of Rev. Harry Blackford. A large attendance is desired.

Word has been received of the death in Enterprise, Cal., Dec. 24, of E. Thayer, a native of Monson, but who went to California in the early 50's. Mr. Thayer was 71 years old, and leaves a wife and three children, two sons and a daughter.

R. Clifford Miller, formerly clerk at C. M. Gage's store, who moved to Portland, Oregon, last spring, is expected back East again with his family next week. Mr. Miller was obliged to give up his position at Portland on account of poor health. They will probably reside in Monson.

The warm weather the past week has stopped the ice harvesting. H. M. Smith has filled several ice houses about town, but hasn't done anything at his own ice yet. If the weather is suitable he hopes to commence cutting next week. G. W. Burdick will also commence next week.

The Academy is to observe the Day of Prayer for Schools and Colleges by special exercises in the chapel next Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The address will be given by Rev. Charles Olmstead of Three Rivers, formerly of Cambridge. The public is invited to attend these exercises.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Severy were pleasantly surprised last evening at their home on Pleasant street by a party of about twenty friends. W. A. Needham, in behalf of those present, presented Mr. and Mrs. Severy with a beautiful clock. The occasion was the second anniversary of their wedding.

The case of Bridget Reynolds against the Central Vermont railroad for damages on account of the death of her husband, Charles Reynolds, who was killed at the North Monson crossing about a year ago, is watched with some interest by Monson people. W. D. Vail, a representative of the railroad company, was in town this week interviewing several persons who were on the train at the time of the accident.

Owing to continued illness among the members of the faculty no sessions of the Academy were held Monday and Tuesday. Wednesday the school opened with all the teachers present except Miss Pease and Miss Hubbard. Miss Pease's condition is improving, and she hopes to be able to resume her work the first of next week. Miss Hubbard is still seriously ill, though her condition has improved somewhat during the past week. Miss Hubbard will continue as her substitute during the term.

District Deputy Grand Master E. R. Shaw of Three Rivers installed the following officers of Mt. Ella lodge of United Workmen Tuesday night. Past master, Jerry T. Lyons; past master, workman, Edward Murphy; foreman, James Burdick; overseer, Daniel Watson; guide, W. S. Hughes; records, F. J. Entwistle; financier, A. H. Bennett; receiver, John Leahy; inside watchman, Robert Sheroff; outside watchman, N. Burdick. After the installation a collation was served.

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Besides a husband she leaves two sons, Charles and Henry. The funeral was held Monday with burial at Woodland Hill cemetery.

A joint installation of Ware lodge of Odd Fellows and Orests Rebekah lodge was held Wednesday evening, when the following officers were installed by District Deputy Grand Master Fred D. Wilcox and suite, and the district deputy grand warden of the Rebekah lodge: N. G. Edward A. Campbell; V. G. John T. Montgomery; financial secretary, George Williams; treasurer, Sarah E. Packard; chaplain, Lilla M. Marsh; warden, Mary Gates; conductor, Grace L. Gates; I. G., Myrtle Hathaway; O. G., Worthington C. Marsh; R. S. N. G., C. Della Sibley; L. S. N. G., Annie W. Baller; R. S. V. G., Mayne Southworth; L. S. V. G., Grace L. Campbell.

It would be well for a certain gang of boys who congregate in the lobby at the post office evenings about mail time to modify their actions or they may have trouble. They seem to enjoy covering the door with chains, zinc, and as soon as the mail arrives and the windows are closed they begin to scuffle and make as much noise as possible. This is not only annoying to those distributing the mail, but to the patrons of the office, especially ladies. The post office is a place of business and not of pleasure. Postmaster Herlihy already knows several of these young men who are causing so much disturbance, and unless they change their manners they may spend some night in a place not their home.

CARD OF THANKS.—We desire to express our thanks to our neighbors and friends for their kindness and sympathy during our mother's illness and death.

MR. AND MRS. A. L. ROPER.

August Flower.

"It is a surprising fact," says Prof. Houton, "that in my travels in all parts of the world, for the last ten years, I have met more people having used Green's August Flower than any other remedy for dyspepsia, deranged liver and stomach, and for constipation. I find for tourists and salesmen, or for persons filling odd positions, where headaches and general bad feelings from irregular habits exist, that Green's August Flower is a grand remedy. It does not injure the system by frequent use, and is excellent for sour stomach and indigestion." Sample bottles free at Le Gro's Drug Store.

Sold by dealers in all civilized countries.

Shakespeare's Great Words to Men. Probably no words of Shakespeare have so impressed weak men as those well-known lines: "Canst thou not minister to a mind diseased, raze out the troubles of the brain, and with some sweet antidote, cleanse from that which so weighs upon the heart?" This thrilling yet plaintive cry finds an echo in the heart of every weak, enervated, nerve-exhausted and vigorous man, who, through ignorance of consequences, has brought himself to a condition of nervous and physical debility. Modern medical science has indeed provided the "antidote," and the discoveries of a great physician have placed within the reach of every weak and erring man the wonderful strengthening, vitalizing and invigorating remedies which will restore him again to strong, vigorous and powerful manhood. We refer to the marvelous medicines of Dr. Greene of 34 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., one of whose discoveries, known as Dr. Greene's Nervine, has made his name famous throughout the world, and whose discoveries of wonderful restorative medicines for weakened and nerve-exhausted men give hope of perfect and complete manhood to every suffering man. Dr. Greene may be consulted free of charge, personally or by letter, and you can use these grand remedies and be cured at home, without the loss of a day from your business or a trip to the city. By all means write to Dr. Greene and get his advice and counsel about your case. It will cost you nothing and may result in making a new man of you.

The Sixth Regiment Massachusetts Vols. The picturesque campaign of the 6th Massachusetts regiment in Porto Rico is brought before the public once more in this interesting out of the regiment, which occurs on Saturday of this week. The 6th regiment was fortunate in going to the front under the immediate command of Gen. Miles, who personally conducted the tour. The result was the 6th returned home as returning troops should come, somewhat dispirited in apparel, but strong and rugged in physique. The story of the campaign will be made the special feature of the Boston Sunday Herald of Jan. 22. The story of the regiment will be written by Frank T. Pope, the Boston Herald's correspondent, who accompanied the regiment to the front. Graphic illustrations will add to the interest of the text, and help to show the friends at home the life the boys led at the front. Place your order for next Sunday's Herald quite early, so that you may be sure of getting a copy.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

MONSON.

Rev. Mr. Conner Begins His Work at the Universalist Church.

The topic of Rev. C. C. Conner's sermon last Sunday morning, introductory to his pastorate at Monson, was "The Universalist church interpretative of the purpose and work of the Church universal." He said in part:

"Our church is Christian, with the emphasis upon the spirit and work and outcome of Christianity rather than upon name or creed or sect. Universalism is the synonym of that Christianity which is to be made triumphant after the will and command of its founder, unto the blessing of all families and kindreds and nations. It is a truth potentially world-wide, and it is to be actually wrought by the agencies of God in His time and place. The Christian church is to represent in its membership the love of Christ and the purpose of God toward men. It is to labor in the spirit of the Master for the redemption and blessing of mankind. Each sect or denomination of Christianity must be thus consecrated, or the name upon its lips is lost. As a body of believers, we are commissioned to keep the things of prophecy clear and certain, and we are to apply our religion to the needs of the time in which we live, and we are to prove our calling by the deeds we do, and make another of the agencies that work the world of God."

With the announcements he said to his parishioners:

"My home shall seem to be in your midst, and I shall be fully ready for work with you. We have assumed the relations of pastor and people. It will be my aim to converse the good news of God to you in the year before me, and to add unto it as I am able with your sympathy and aid. I shall try to be your faithful minister. My predecessor, whom you will continue to cherish with my fond remembrance, has virtually consummated our union. And I trust that memory and love will be your best help and guide as we go on. While I sympathize with the deep regard you have for your late pastor, I will not ask that your love for him and his may be transferred to me and mine. I only ask that you leave a place vacant for us to take at your side. Mr. Blackford's work with you has been well done, and he has gone to another field. You will not expect me to duplicate his work, but I shall endeavor to be as good as he, and to add unto it as I am able. I want that your own faith and experience of the good should be the best of every step. Let us pray not alone in word, but in spirit and in deed, that our labors together may be blessed of God and abundantly prospered."

Miss Alice Parke visited friends in Meriden, Ct., Sunday.

Mrs. W. A. Needham is visiting relatives in Westfield.

Druggist Chapman spent Sunday at his home in Easthampton.

Mr. and Mrs. David Grady have returned from their wedding trip.

Rev. and Mrs. M. L. Miller have adopted a daughter—Tuesday morning.

Dr. C. C. Conner's household guests arrived from the West Tuesday.

Cecil Grant was called to Gloucester Saturday on account of the death of an aunt.

Dr. A. D. Coleman of Hartford, Ct., is visiting at the home on Hampden avenue.

Miss Esther Holmes and Miss Mabel Anderson are visiting in Westfield.

Mrs. Fred Thayer of West Union spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thayer.

Charles Everett has returned from a visit with his brother in Campbell, and in Boston.

Charles Everett sang at the Universalist church last Sunday in the place of W. J. Ricketts.

Miss Florence Leigh, who has been visiting a few days at her home, has returned to Auburn.

Miss Alice Bliss and Miss Kate Dinneen have taken positions in a hat factory at Auburn.

Frank R. Sutcliffe, who is employed at West Union, spent Sunday at his home on East Hill.

The Ladies' Circle of the Universalist church will hold a lunch supper Tuesday evening, February 22nd.

Between 50 and 70 Old Fellows and their families were present at the social given in their hall Monday night.

The Windsor Club will give a whist party to lady friends of the members next Monday evening at the club rooms.

Friends of Mrs. A. N. Chaffee of Springfield, journey of this town, have been pained to learn of her severe illness the past week.

Mrs. Chas. Ricketts of Manchester, Ct., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ricketts, Mr. Ricketts was in town Wednesday.

Station Agent Thompson returned Tuesday night from Gouverneur, N. Y., where he had been called on account of the illness of relatives.

A reception will be given Rev. and Mrs. C. Conner at the Universalist church next Tuesday night, to which the public is cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Patrick arrived home yesterday from their wedding trip to Fort Lauderdale, Fla. They will reside with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McGary.

The coming of the Duke of Sutherland, which was to have been held at Dr. C. C. Fyatt's Tuesday afternoon, was postponed on account of the weather.

M. F. Moore, manager of the W. N. Fyatt party on a trip to Porto Rico, Mr. Moore expects to be away about a month.

Miss Nellie Slater, librarian of the public library, has been spending a week in Roxbury and vicinity. Her position at the library has been filled by Miss Laura Slater.

Selection O. C. McGary and H. D. Moulton were in Boston yesterday endeavoring to secure an appropriation for another strip of state road in Monson this year.

Miss Harriet Arnold and Miss Josephine Hughes of Foxcroft, Maine, Miss Sadie Hughes of South Coventry and Miss Grace Bradley of Newbury, N. H., are the guests of Miss Annie Barber.

John Rice, 72, an inmate of the town farm, died last Saturday afternoon about five o'clock. He leaves three children. The funeral was held Monday at 10 o'clock. Rev. A. C. Nichols officiating.

Miss Grace L. Wood and Clarence W. King, formerly of Springfield, died Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock by Rev. Joseph Scott. Mr. and Mrs. King will reside at 322 Walnut street.

The debate at the Academy Monday night, between Daniel D. Ball and Walter Ballard, the subject being "Resolved, that expansion is beneficial to the United States," was decided in favor of Mr. Ballard, who spoke for the affirmative.

Mrs. G. H. Newton has a Mauter carriage taken from the estate of her nephew, Everett Fane of Warren, Ohio, who is an engineer on one of the United States war ships, now cruising in the vicinity of Cuba.

The carriage is three inches long.

Rev. C. C. Conner will speak Sunday morning at the Universalist church on "Living and dying unto the Lord." The subject for the young people's song in the evening will be "What can we do to improve our town in beauty, health and education?"

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Edith Holmes, daughter of Mr. Frank Holmes of Washington, D. C., formerly of Monson, and Lieutenant Armando Mols of Italy. The ceremony will take place at St. John's church, Washington, next Tuesday at 12 o'clock, noon.

Henry E. Newton of Greenwich, formerly of Monson, has leased the Century house and will take possession next Wednesday.

Mr. Newton has had considerable experience in the hotel business, having owned a hotel in Greenwich for several years, which he sold about a year ago.

The benevolent society of the Methodist church will hold a penny social in the evening of next Wednesday.

Supper will be served on the European plan from 6 to 8 o'clock. They desire that as far as possible the guests be given in payment for the things purchased.

The Republican town committee has organized with the following officers: Chairman, C. M. Gage; secretary, Ralph Clifford; treasurer, L. C. Fyatt; and other members of the committee are E. D. Dickinson, Rufus Fay, R. P. Cushman, W. M. Tucker, W. J. Ricketts and Charles W. King.

Rev. R. P. Hubbard, who has been in Monson for the past few weeks on account of the illness of his daughter, Miss Helen Hubbard, returned to his home in Gloucester today. Miss Hubbard's health is improving, and although very slowly, yet it is hoped that in a few weeks she can be removed to her home.

Station Agent C. G. Thompson is considering a system which, if placed in Monson will be of great value to the citizens. A register will be placed in several of the public buildings about the town which will give the exact time of the arrival of the trains and the time which the passengers will be at the depot, and if the trains should be late the register will indicate how many minutes they are late.

These registers will be ordered from the depot, and a great many people go to the depot and sometimes wait over an hour for the train when it is late, while with this system in operation they could, by looking at one of the registers, find out just when it was to be expected.

The town clerk's report shows that there were eleven births, fourteen deaths and six marriages during the year 1898.

The body of Mary L. Miller of Palmer, granddaughter of Sir Isaac Leach, formerly of Hampden, was buried in the cemetery last Sunday afternoon.

LUDLOW CENTER.

Edwin F. 10, son of Albert Banister was drowned last Saturday afternoon in the Easton mill pond, while playing on the thin ice with two playmates. Young Banister lived a short distance from the pond, and his companions ran and notified his mother, Mrs. Banister, who went to the pond and succeeded in reaching her boy with the aid of a broom, when the ice gave way, letting them both in the water. Some men passing got them out, but the boy was beyond help and could not be revived.

LUDLOW.

Miss Hattie Banister of Ludlow Center has gone to Boston for a visit of several weeks.

Miss Corinne Desautels gave a chocolate party to her friends Saturday evening at her home on East street.

Norman W. Calkins of Springfield gave a lecture to the Ludlow Camera Club in Hubbard Memorial Hall Monday evening, his subject being "Photomicroscopy."

John Leslie was thrown from his sleigh Sunday while attempting to turn around, and received a severe fracture of the right arm. His feet were so wrapped up in the buffalo robe that he could not help himself, and fell with the sleigh on top of him. He was attended by Dr. P. H. Larose.

WILBRAHAM.

The real estate of the late Miss Betsy Webster was sold at auction Monday by H. M. Bliss.

The Ladies' Social Union of the Methodist church will hold a social at the parsonage this evening.

Dr. Newhall went to Boston Monday to attend the banquet of the Boston Alumni Association of Wesleyan University, and was one of the after-dinner speakers.

The cantata, "The quarrel among the flowers," will be given at the Methodist church Monday evening. The music is in charge of Miss Lillian Russell, director of music at the Academy.

Alanson Calkins, 83, a much respected citizen, died at his home in Glendale last Tuesday. He was 72 years, 6 months, 6 days, and a brother, Dr. Marshall Calkins of Springfield, survives him.

BEUCHERTOWN.

The Arnold place on South street has been leased to J. H. Schoonmaker of Ware.

Twenty volumes of popular authors have been recently placed in the public library.

Oliver Hyde has taken the creamery route to West Ware on account of the illness of F. Rev. Dr. B. T. Hall and daughter of Franklin, N. Y., are visiting at the home of W. E. Brainerd.

The Republican town committee has elected David Ward chairman and G. H. E. Brainerd, Sullivan has been bought by Thomas Rice.

The new two-story house recently built by John Sullivan has been bought by Thomas Rice.

W. R. Blackmer of the Hartford Theological Seminary has been visiting at his home for a few days.

Miss Stella Shumway gave a party to a number of her friends Thursday in honor of Frank Richards of Enfield.

Robert Williams of the Northampton, has been visiting at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. C. D. Williams of Northampton, last Tuesday. The registers will be given at the town hall from 7 to 9 o'clock, also February 22nd from 12 m. to 2 p. m., and at South Beuchertown February 18th from 2 to 4 p. m., for the purpose of revising the voting lists.

WARE.

Charles Bibbey of Boston is visiting his brother, F. M. Bibbey.

H. C. Pearson of Boston has been visiting his son, Dr. M. W. Pearson.

Harriet S. Powell of Three Rivers is visiting her mother, Mrs. Alice E. Newcomb.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hitchcock have gone to Santa Fe, N. M., where they will stay two or three weeks.

Miss Maud Southworth gave a whist party to a number of her friends at her home Monday evening.

The women of Trinity church gave a bazaar supper and entertainment in the church vestry last evening.

Miss Edith Bonmarteau and Wilfred Marois were married Monday afternoon by Rev. J. T. Sheehan.

Miss Rosaline Danesrean and George Jacques were married Monday afternoon by Rev. J. T. Sheehan.

A supper and entertainment will be given in the Methodist church Wednesday evening by the Ladies' Aid Society.

The sale of the Senior Ladies' Society will be held the 22d.

Rev. Edward H. Newcomb, pastor of the Congregational church in Richmond, Me., and well known to Ware people, has accepted a call to a church in South Portland, Me.

The horse hitched to the French bakery team became frightened on old Hill Main street, where it was stopped. The team was badly demoralized.

Andrew J. Harwood, 82, died Tuesday morning at his home in the northern part of the town. Mr. Harwood was born in Hare and came to Ware in 1841, where he had various jobs, acting as selectman from 1865 to 1872. Besides a widow, two sons, Maynoe and Ware, and a daughter, Mrs. L. Harwood of Newton, survive him. The funeral was held from his late home Wednesday afternoon, Rev. A. C. White officiating. Burial was in Aspen Grove cemetery.

BRIMFIELD.

Rev. Mr. Hatch of Monson will lecture in the town hall next Tuesday evening, on "Drink Grain-O."

Dr. Frank O. O'Brien, who you ought not to give to your children, is not a medicine but a food, it is because it is healthful, invigorating and appetizing. It is made from pure grains and has that rich seal brown color and tastes like a children's food and thrives on it because it is a nourishment. Ask your grocer for "Grain-O," the new food drink. The 2c. and 5c.

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Members of the Young People's Improvement League and others, numbering in all 25, visited the exhibition of views in England and Scotland at the home of Miss Tarbell last Saturday afternoon. The young people had a social from 2 to 4 o'clock. There were refreshments, and a sum of money was contributed by those present, which is to be devoted to the purchase of pictures. On Monday a class of 25 who are studying "The Lady of the Lake" in the Academy, accompanied by the teacher, Miss Wright, visited the exhibition. The photographs, which include over a hundred, were shown in the exhibition. The attendance has numbered about 150.

At the regular meeting of the Grange Tuesday evening the third and fourth degrees of membership were conferred upon Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Tarbell, Miss Ida Brown, Mrs. Barbara Campbell, Miss Della Coghlan and Miss Ida Booth. Dr. and Mrs. Sawin and Miss Booth, who received the second and third degrees with the other members of this class, also present. The Grange was inspected by Herbert Sablin of Amherst, state inspector. There was a literary programme consisting of a paper, "How would you house if I were a woman," by G. W. Sherman, a paper, "How I would live," by Mrs. G. P. Kibbe, a song by Mrs. G. W. Sherman, a recitation by Frank Conover, and reading by Mrs. Stow. Refreshments were served.

Death of Elijah Allen.

Elijah Allen, 76, a well-known and highly-esteemed citizen of Brimfield, died at his home last Friday afternoon. He had been in failing health for a year or two, but in spite of bodily weakness he had kept active to the last, being prostrated for a day only. The news of his death came with a shock to his townpeople. Mr. Allen was a collector of taxes, which office he had held for several years, and he had the position of janitor of the town hall at the time of his death. His life had been one of usefulness in the town, and his death has removed one more citizen belonging to a town which has lost a good citizen, who was greatly missed. He was a deacon in the Second Congregational church, and was clerk of the church when its services were discontinued by reason of the death of Rev. Mr. Peirce. Mr. Allen was engaged in trade for a number of years, having at one time carried on the "Union store," which was owned by G. M. Hitchcock. In more recent years he held a responsible position in the town, and in the post office when it was kept in the store building. Mr. Allen kept up his kindly interest in others and his interest in the welfare of his town to the last, and it was remarkable that his active service should be continued at such an advanced age and in the face of physical weakness which he courageously met. He is pleasantly associated with the town library, the care of the library room being included in his duties at the town house. His fine courtesy and his attentive care for the comfort of those engaged at the library will long be remembered, and the venerable presence thereof, and the association with his history, was impressive.

Elijah Allen was born in Brimfield, September 17th, 1822. He was the son of a farmer, whose father bought a farm, still in possession of the Allen family, of the descendants of the Apostle Eliot, the estate being part of a large tract situated in the east part of Brimfield and in Sturbridge, purchased by Eliot of the Indians among whom he preached. The Allen homestead is now owned by George S. A. brother of the late Elijah Allen. Mr. Allen was twice married. His first marriage was to Miss Sarah E. Woods, a sister of the late Joseph L. Woods. He was married July 18, 1838, to Miss Ursula McFarland, who survives him. He leaves a son, Marshall W. of Worcester, a sister, Mrs. Emily Woods of Worcester, and two brothers, George Sumner Allen of Brimfield and Henry A. Allen. The funeral was held at his late residence Monday afternoon.

MAKING UP A BOSTON MIXED—"Do you love me, sweetheart?" he asked, passionately.

"I think I do, Henderson," she replied, demurely. "But love is such a funny thing, and means so many things. In Boston it involves so much that is abstract, in Chicago so much that is plainly business, that I hesitate to say."

"Still, dear, you love me?"

"I think I do, Henderson. I am an American girl, born in Boston, I think of you as a different person from yourself. Educated in Chicago, I am not indifferent to love. And since you are rated as a millionaire in New York, I rather think I can be happy with you. Yes, Henderson, I will come to your arms."—Harper's Bazar.

DOLLIE—"Was it a quiet night where you kissed Mollie?"

CHOLLIE—"No; it was on the north side of Chicago."

"There goes young Skinning, the artist."

"Artist? Black and white?"

"Ochre—mediocre."—Indianapolis Journal.

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PATRICK KINNEVAN AND FAMILY.

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Free of Charge.

Any adult suffering from a cold settled on the throat, bronchitis, throat or lung troubles of any kind, who will call at Ledo's drug store will be presented with a sample bottle of Boesche's German Syrup, free of charge. Only one bottle given to one person, and none to children without order from parents.

No throat or lung remedy ever had such a sale as Boesche's German Syrup in all parts of the civilized world. Twenty years ago a illness of the throat and lungs was a hopeless case, and the only throat and lung remedy generally endorsed by physicians was Boesche's German Syrup, or prove its value. Sold by all druggists in this city.

We wish to say a word in regard to the Monroe Drug Co., manufacturers of Putnam Fadesse Dyes. They not only make the best dyes on the market and give you the most for your money, but they actually pay the printer in advance. Mr. O. P. Allen is their agent.

A Common Danger.

If you have ever had a cold which you permitted to "wear away" it may interest you to know it was a dangerous proceeding. Every cold and cough which is neglected paves the way for consumption, bronchitis, asthma or catarrh of the lungs. The famous German throat and lung remedy, will cure any cough or cold and save you from consumption. Sold by all druggists. Prices 25c. and 50c. per bottle.

Table Talk.

Among the best and most practical features of the household magazines of the day, is one carried out by Table Talk, which, in giving means for the month, also directions for the economical carrying out of the same. The February issue has this attractive feature, as well as many recipes, given in reply to inquiries from housekeepers all over the country. It also contains articles on "Elements with Food" (Part II) by Helen Louise Johnson; "Appetite comes with Eating" by Elizabeth Gravel; "A Washington Dinner" by Nellie G. Coleman; "Corn Bread" by Eliza Parker; "Science in the Household" by G. E. Walsh, and touches upon many general topics of interest to women. A sample copy sent free to any of our readers addressing Table Talk Publishing Co., Philadelphia.

A Card.

We, the undersigned, agree to refund the money on a fifty-cent bottle of Ledo's German Syrup, if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a twenty-five-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or no pay.

C. A. Ledo, Palmer.

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TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromine Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. G. on each tablet.

M. & M. GAVIN.

GREAT BARGAINS.

We have got to make room for spring goods, great bargains for those who buy during the next two weeks.

STAMPED LINENS. UNDERWEAR.

Bureau, Comode, Table and Pillow Cases at half price. Everything in this line and material to work same, at a great reduction.

Jersey Vests and Pants at 25c. on \$1.00.

Muslin Night Gowns, Corset Covers, Drawers and Aprons at cost.

GIVE US A CALL, WE CAN SAVE YOU MONEY.

M. & M. GAVIN, MONSON.

STOCK TAKING.....

Always brings surprises. We are overstocked in some things and will make prices that do not represent the value of the goods.

A Lot of Ladies' Wool Hose at Half Price.

Lot of Children's Wool Hose for Less than Half Price.

Horse Blankets and Lap Robes at Much Under Value.

Men's Working Shirts, Regular 50c Quality, for 25c.

These are samples of many other things equally cheap.

J. B. SHAW, FEENEY'S BLOCK, MAIN ST., PALMER.

CIRCULATION FIGURES.

The Boston Sunday Journal's Frank Statement to the People.

The Boston Sunday Journal has caused a sensation in New England newspaper circles by stating the actual figures of its circulation in detail. It has been induced to take this step, the Journal says, on account of the grossly inaccurate circulation figures of the other Boston Sunday papers—the Herald. The Journal declares that the actual circulation of the Sunday Herald is not more than one-third of the circulation which the Herald claims in its columns; that the genuine circulation of the Journal is within 25 per cent of the genuine circulation of the Herald, and the Journal offers to substantiate the statements by an open comparison of the books of the Herald and Journal before impartial and competent persons. The Journal takes this step, as it says, purely as a matter of business, believing that it would be unfair to itself to allow the Herald's figures to go unchallenged. The Journal's figures show that the Sunday Journal has gained in circulation, the district named, 25,000 copies during the past year, a tremendous increase in a twelve-month, and illustrative of the rapidly and steadily growing popularity of the paper.

What Did Shakespeare Mean?

Shakespeare never wrote truth words than, "Life of

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THE WARE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE has made its report, and it is of the expected order. The work of the department was not done in the main, and that of the Secretary of the Interior is particularly the whitewash is thick, but it is easily seen through.

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THE PALMER AND MONSON STREET RAILWAY COMPANY is to be congratulated on its achievement this week, when it had its entire system running on a single track. At 12 o'clock Tuesday night, only about 12 hours after the storm had ceased, a thing not accomplished by any other rail road in the state. It is a record of which all concerned may well feel proud.

ANOTHER INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE has been appointed by the president, to inquire into the army belt scandal, and met this morning. It is instructed to report as opinion as the merits of the case, with recommendations as to further proceedings. It is not Gen. Miles who is on trial, but the truth of the charges. Here's hoping that Gen. Miles will be able to prove all he has claimed. He and his friends appear to have no fear of the result.

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The high ridges of snow through Main street caused by the clearing of the street railway tracks have been leveled and travel made easy. Where it is necessary, the snow will be removed by the railway company, which has found it almost impossible however to get men to work.

The question of the right of holders of lock boxes at the post office to call for their mail instead of making use of the key to lock boxes some recently, and Postmaster Boyce wrote to the post office department at Washington for a ruling. In reply his attention was called to the section in the postal regulations regarding the matter, and in addition the ruling was made use of of key to lock boxes should make use of them whenever possible, and that it was not obligatory on the part of the postmaster to open lock boxes or hand out mail from them, and should not be done except on rare occasions.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Fish were called to Northfield, Vt., last Saturday by the death of Mr. Fish's grandmother, and had an unpleasant experience with the cold and storm. The mercury registered 28° below Sunday morning. On their return Monday they left for Northfield at 6 p. m. for Springfield, and arrived in Springfield at 3:30 the next morning and Palmer 20 minutes before the train which came over the N. E. R. road from Northfield, besides being at Northfield the sleep they might have had at Northfield had they remained there.

A Michigan reader of the JOURNAL writes, under date of the 13th, in renewing his subscription, that "Michigan has had the most severe cold the past week that we have any record of. Sunday morning, Feb. 12th, it was 36° below zero at our place, and below at Weyland, three miles west of us. Fruit is killed, and without doubt many young trees are frozen to death. Our fruit men cannot escape large loss. One of our neighbors lost some stock by the cold; he lost a night on an attachment on paper, and a stock lot, but had good care, so far as I know. The weather began to get warmer last night, and we hope it will continue."

The French Folly troupe had an audience of about 75 at the opera house Wednesday night, and the spectators were disappointed in that the performance was not half as "spicy" as was anticipated. The fact is that all right as far as anything "Frenchy" was concerned. The paper which the company put out called for a considerable display of anatomy, and this kept many away who would otherwise have attended. It was a case of the company oversteering, and instead of something it did not present, expecting by the character of the advertisements to draw a crowd, but Palmer wasn't the right kind of a town, and a more decent lot of paper would have drawn out a bigger house.

THREE RIVERS.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sharkey spent Sunday in West Warren. Two sleigh-riding parties from Ware were entertained at the Riverside Hotel recently. The meeting for the installation of officers of Palmer Lodge, A. O. U. W., which was to have been held on Tuesday evening, was postponed on account of the storm.

Three days of extreme cold, followed by three days of snow, left Three Rivers almost a frozen waste. Streets were hardly passable, and most business was at a standstill. No trains were run on either the Athol or Central Vermont roads from Monday noon to 11 o'clock Tuesday morning, when a train arrived from Palmer. A large number of men came to the north. The Athol road was broken out late in the afternoon, and a train from Springfield came in about 7 o'clock. The snow plow was kept at work all Monday night on the electric road, and the track was kept open to Palmer. A large number of men came to the north. The Athol road was broken out late in the afternoon, and a train from Springfield came in about 7 o'clock. The snow plow was kept at work all Monday night on the electric road, and the track was kept open to Palmer. A large number of men came to the north. The Athol road was broken out late in the afternoon, and a train from Springfield came in about 7 o'clock. 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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

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Erskine Lull is clerking at Rogers & Co's store.

Mrs. S. H. Newton is visiting friends in Worcester.

Mrs. Julia N. Graves is at her home on Park avenue.

The Dorcas Society met with Mrs. L. C. Plynt Wednesday afternoon.

Lent began Wednesday, and will cover a period of 46 days, ending April 24.

The regular meeting of Day Spring lodge of Masons will be held next Tuesday evening.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Relief Corps will be held next Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Palmer of Mansfield are visiting at H. C. Webb's on Bridge street.

George H. Norcross returned Wednesday from Warren, where he has been ill with the grippe.

Lyman M. Mason has taken a position as clerk at the Monson House, made vacant by Manley Carpenter.

Altonz Widlen is suffering from a lame shoulder, caused by falling from a roof while shoveling off snow.

The subject of the discourse at the Congregational church Sunday evening at 6 o'clock will be "Faith."

Miss Nellie Spurr has returned from a visit in Roxbury and has resumed her duties at the Monson Free Library.

The Ladies' Circle of the Universalist church met with Mrs. William L. Chapin yesterday afternoon and evening.

Commander George A. Harvey was in Boston yesterday attending the department convention of the Grand Army.

Rev. John Lee of Jefferson, formerly pastor of St. Patrick's church in Monson, visited friends in town yesterday.

Miss Florence Bugbee has taken a position with Heilmann & Lichten, having resigned her position with Charles Merrick.

Harry Bugbee returned to Wesleyan University today after a week's visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bugbee.

The regular meeting of the Old Fellows will be held Monday evening. The initiatory degree will be worked on one candidate.

The penny supper and social which was to have been held at the Methodist church Wednesday evening was postponed until this evening.

Mrs. A. A. Babitt and Mrs. John Cross attended the convention of the Woman's Relief Corps in Boston Wednesday and yesterday.

Ernest Avery, a former student and graduate of Monson Academy, now at the Boston School of Oratory, visited friends in town Wednesday.

A party of Monson young people enjoyed a sleighride to the Penikese last evening. On their return they took supper at the Nassawano House in Palmer.

Mrs. Harriet Fenton gave a candy party at her home on Main street last Friday afternoon. All of the girls in the neighborhood over sixty years old were invited.

A sleigh party of about twenty young ladies from Ware held a dance at the Monson House Saturday evening. A beautiful supper was served by Landford Foley.

The members of the Windsor Club entertained their lady friends at the club rooms in the bank block last evening. The party was postponed from last Monday evening.

G. L. Fuller, the shoemaker, commenced his annual mark down sale today, which will last until March 1st. Footwear of every description can be bought at a great reduction.

The meeting of A. A. Gage camp, Sons of Veterans, was postponed Tuesday evening until next Tuesday night, on account of the gas being frozen at Memorial Hall so that the lights could not be used.

Mrs. L. B. Fisher, wife of the late Rev. L. H. Fisher, formerly pastor of the Universalist church in Monson, is the guest of Mrs. Laura Farrington. Mrs. Fisher is now connected with the Bethany Home in Boston.

Although the snow of Sunday was very light and fine, it frightened most people from attending church. While services were held in all the churches the attendance was small. The evening services were well attended, however.

The scholars of the Green street school have presented at school what is a very fine portrait of the late Dr. N. W. Rand, which is to remain the property of the ninth grade. The production is the work of Artist Gaudette of this place.

There will be a food sale under the auspices of the Dorcas Society at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association next Wednesday afternoon. The public is invited to attend. Loaves of cake, pies, hot chocolate and candy will be for sale.

The original drawings which are sometimes loaned by the *Journal's* Commission, comprising about thirty examples of the work of various American illustrators, are on exhibition at the Monson Free Library. The drawings average 18 by 24 inches.

Rev. C. C. Connor will speak Sunday morning at the Universalist church on "The subject of the Y. P. C. U. meeting in the evening will be "How apply the story of the Good Samaritan to international dealings."

The four remaining entertainments, 31; reserved seats, \$1.25.

A Lincoln's Birthday meeting was held at the Grange Wednesday evening. The attendance was good considering the poor traveling and the distance that some of the members were obliged to come. During the evening there was singing, and several papers were read regarding the life of Lincoln.

The "Prisoner of Zenda" as a picture

drama will be presented in Memorial Hall next Wednesday evening by Anna Delony, the famous impersonator. This is different from anything that has ever visited Monson before. The drama is illustrated similar to the moving pictures, during which Miss Delony impersonates 25 characters.

The reception which was to have been given Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Connor at the Universalist church Tuesday evening was postponed until next Tuesday evening, owing to the bad traveling caused by the heavy snow.

Consequently the lunch supper that had been planned for next Tuesday night has been postponed until February 28, one week later.

Miss Edith Holmes, daughter of Mrs. Frank Holmes of Washington, D. C., formerly of Monson, and Lieutenant Arando Mola of Italy were married in St. John's church at Washington Wednesday at 12 o'clock.

Miss Esther Holmes and Miss Mabel Anderson were present from this place. Lieut. and Mrs. Mola will spend a portion of their wedding trip in Monson.

A series of spiritual discourses have been arranged at the Congregational church during the Lenten season, and will concern the life and example of Jesus as related to young disciples. The services will begin at 7.30, and are as follows: Feb. 16, "Christ's new ideas," Rev. C. E. Hamlin; 23, "Fellowship with His sufferings," Rev. W. R. Newhall; March 2, "Tastes and tasks," Rev. A. R. Merriam; 9, "The mountain and the plain," Rev. A. E. Cross; 16, "The shepherd psalm," Rev. G. C. Baldwin; 23, "The new faith," Rev. S. G. Barnes.

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dents who have been out of doors have no reason to be told about it.

Mrs. E. W. Wall has recently visited in East Providence, where she went to attend Mrs. Charles E. Fletcher, who has lately submitted to an operation.

The men of Grace church are to get up a supper and entertainment in the near future, and as it is probable that this will eclipse anything of the kind ever seen in North Wilbraham, it may be wise for everybody to save their change in anticipation of the event.

It is reported on good authority that one of our popular young ladies has a very novel way of mending lacy, not using a gourd or a patent glass ball, but deliberately pulls on the article to be repaired and uses her foot for darning purposes. Certainly this is unique, and will probably be adopted by the female members of the community, particularly as there is no patent on the method, and all are at liberty to use it.

George and Martha Washington will be given a reception at Grace Union church next Wednesday evening. Following this, refreshments will be served. There will also be an entertainment by the Wilbraham Lyceum Club, assisted by the pupils of Miss Bliss's school. The entertainment by the club will be a repetition of that given at East Wilbraham last week, which includes a farce entitled, "The Doctor's Assistant."

L. W. Washburn's minstrels will be the attraction at the opera house next Monday evening.

Frederick Clark has accepted the position with S. W. Coe formerly held by William F. Canavan.

William Kirkpatrick has resigned his position as day operator at the Boston and Maine freight station.

There are now 15 cases of scarlet fever in town. Emmet Fitzgerald, Mary Kane and Merton Eddy are the latest victims.

Trinity church services will be held in the Trinity church every Thursday evening at 7.30 and Friday at 3.45 in the afternoon.

Mrs. Goodenough of Worcester, formerly a South African missionary, gave an interesting talk to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in the chapel this afternoon.

The Hibernian and the Canadian Circle have made arrangements for a whist tournament between the two organizations. The first session will be held in the Hibernian rooms Monday evening.

Prof. John M. Tyler of Amherst will give his lecture on "The survival of the fittest" Tuesday evening. This lecture should have been given two weeks ago, but was postponed on account of the illness of Prof. Tyler.

Mrs. Mary H. Tucker, 85, died Sunday morning at the home of her son, F. A. Tucker. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon and the body will be taken to Hardwick for burial. A son, F. A. Tucker, and a daughter, Mrs. Est. S. Fugate, survive her.

Carl F. Bohmiller and Franklin J. Browning have been drawn as jurors for the February civil term of the superior court. The session of the probate court was not held Wednesday on account of the inability of the judge and clerk to get from Northampton to Ware.

WARREN.

There was no session of school Monday or Tuesday, on account of the storm.

W. E. Patrick has been elected superintendent of the Congregational Sunday school.

The Intermediate Epworth League gave a baked bean supper in the Methodist church Wednesday evening.

The Ladies' Home Missionary Society held a very pleasant social at the home of Mrs. J. W. Chadsey Wednesday evening.

The annual gathering of Dr. J. W. Hastings's Sunday school class will be held with Mrs. D. G. Hitchcock to-morrow evening.

Miss Mabel Lyett has resigned her position in J. M. Drake's store, and Miss Rose Forrant has succeeded her in the dry goods department.

The committee in charge of the citizens' concert to be given next Friday evening by the Boston Rivals.

Miss Marguerite Keyes gave a piano and violin recital in the Congregational chapel this evening. She will be assisted by Miss Edna Buck, Miss Mildred Parker, and other pupils in town.

The Woman's Relief Corps will give an entertainment in the town hall on the night of Washington's birthday. It will be "En Voyage," and will carry out as far as possible the idea of an ocean voyage.

The cold and storm of Saturday, Sunday and Monday was the most severe of the season. The country roads were badly drifted, and water pipes everywhere were frozen over or less. The electric street cars stopped running Monday noon.

Herbert A. Day met with a painful accident last week Thursday while loading some logs. One of the cant-hooks slipped and struck him on the lower jaw, breaking on a piece two inches long. The bones have been set and Mr. Day is as comfortable as possible, but will not be able to use his jaw for about a month.

WALES.

Services were held at both churches Sunday, but hearers were few.

Several families are short of wood, and some are borrowing from neighbors.

Families living in out districts have not been able to communicate with the village since Sunday.

The snow dammed up the canals and stopped the water so that the mills did not run Tuesday.

Road Commissioner Hines reports the storm fully equal to the last great snow storm. He has not been able to open all the roads yet.

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BROOKS, E. S., Dealer in Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Solid Silver and Plated Ware, Main Street.

BROWN, S. H., Trucking, Light Jobbing, Packing, and Furniture Moving. Order books sent by Mail and Walnut streets. Orders can also be left at J. F. Foley's store.

CARPENTER, Mrs. L. E., Millinery and Fancy Goods. Also dealer in Human Hair Goods.

CHANDLER, RICHARD, Wholesale Dealers in Art, Mount & Co's, Dressed Beef, Provisions, Main Street.

EAGER, F. M., Boot and Shoe Manufacturer of Order, and dealer in Leather and Findings.

FISKE, C. B. & Co., Publishers of PALMER JOURNAL, Fine Book and Job Printers and Bookbinders.

FITCH, A. E., Law and Insurance, Savings Bank Block.

FRANCIS, R. B., Iron Foundry and Machine Shop.

GAMWELL, C. K., Ready made Clothing, Hats, Caps, Gent's Furnishings, etc.

GOODIES, E., Palmer Boot and Shoe Store, corner Main and Thordike streets.

HAMILTON, J. A., Dealer in all kinds of Coal, Wood, Grain, Fertilizer, Hay and Straw.

HOLBROOK, J. F. & SONS, Dealers in all kinds of Coal. Agents for National and Foreign Brands at lowest rates.

LEACH, W. W., Attorney at Law.

MARCY, J. P., Dealer in Lumber, Shingles, etc., wholesale and retail. West of R. and A. depot.

MARCY, OSCAR C., Livery and Feed Stable, rear of Converse House.

PALMER WATER CO., Office Lawrence Block. Office hours to October 1st, from 8:30 to 10 A. M., from 2 to 3 P. M.

SHAW, J. B., Dealer in Dry Goods, Groceries, etc., opposite the depot.

WOOLRICH & CO., Manufacturers of Ridge's Food, Thordike street.

THORNDIKE.

ADAMS, A. P., Druggist, Toilet Articles, Confectionery and Cigars.

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HOLDEN & SONS, Dry Goods, Groceries, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, etc.

MONSON.

GROUT, GEO. E., Dealer in Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, etc. Towne's Block.

WARREN.

KELLEY, W. H., Attorney and Counselor at Law, Quabong Block.

TAX COLLECTOR'S NOTICE.

COLLECTOR'S SALE FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES.

The owners and occupants of the following described parcels of real estate, situated in the town of Palmer, County of Hampshire, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the public, are hereby notified that the taxes and assessments thereon severally assessed for the years herein-after specified, according to the list compiled by the Assessors of Taxes and the legally appointed collector of said town, and that said parcels of real estate will be sold at public auction in front of the Court House, in said Palmer, on Saturday, the eighteenth day of March, 1899, at ten o'clock, the sum of \$100.00 for the payment of said taxes, and all incidental charges and expenses, unless the same shall have been previously paid.

ELIZABETH YOST.

A certain tract of land, situate on South Main street, beginning on north line of said street at the southeasterly corner of land formerly of Laura E. Childs; thence southerly on said street northerly 100 feet to land of R. and A. B. R.; thence southerly on said street southerly 145 feet to place of beginning, containing about 1.20 square rods of land.

Taxes, 1898, \$6.27; 1897, \$6.67; 1896, \$5.73. Fire District, 1898, \$4.32; 1897, \$4.39; 1896, \$4.40.

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Also another tract of land with buildings thereon, situate on Dublin street, and described as follows: Beginning at an iron bound where the northerly line of said street intersects with the easterly line of the New London Southern R. R.; thence southerly 275 feet to the north face of stone monument; thence southerly 220 feet, 6 inches to land of Mrs. C. M. Johnson, now or formerly thence southerly 23 feet, 6 inches, on land of said Johnson, land of Catherine McCarthy, John Gaudin, and Michael Grady; thence southerly on said Grady southerly 122 feet to mentioned bound, containing about 7200 square feet of land.

Taxes, 1898, \$7.21; 1897, \$6.62; 1896, \$6.69. Fire District, 1898, \$4.32; 1897, \$4.39; 1896, \$4.40.

H. A. NORTHRUP, Tax Collector.

Feb 17th, 1899.

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According to the Standard of the Insurance Department of the State of New York

INCOME

Received for Premiums \$42,318,748.51

From all other sources \$55,006,629.45

DISBURSEMENTS

To Policyholders for Claims by Death \$13,265,908.00

To Policyholders for Endowments \$11,485,751.33

For all other accounts \$10,192,879.65

ASSETS

United States Bonds and other Securities \$60,595,111.23

First Lien Loans on Bond and Mortgage \$8,505,380.90

Loans on Bonds and other Securities \$9,396,619.00

Real Estate and other Assets \$20,604,649.61

Cash in Banks and Trust Companies \$11,021,977.96

Accrued Interest, Not Deferred Premiums, etc. \$4,919,957.16

\$277,517,955.36

LIABILITIES

Policy Reserves, etc. \$233,038,640.68

Contingent Guaranty Fund \$2,000,000.00

Divisible Surplus \$277,517,955.36

Insurance and Annuities in Force \$971,711,997.79

I have carefully examined the foregoing Statement and find the same to be correct; liabilities calculated by the Insurance Department.

CHAS. A. PALMER, Auditor

From the Divisible Surplus a dividend will be apportioned as usual.

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IMPORTANT LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Principal Events of the Past Week in Palmer and the Neighboring Towns.

WILBRAHAT WOMAN HONORED

For Her Good Deeds and Generosity to the Town, Church and School.

Mrs. Lucia Stebbins Foskitt, widow of the late Dr. Stebbins Foskitt, was surprised at her home on Main street in Wilbraham last Friday evening by a gathering of her neighbors, who assembled to express to her their appreciation of her worth as a public-spirited citizen and of her generosity to the town, the churches, Wesleyan Academy and the community. Had it not been for the prevalence of the early evening and the prevalence of the gripe, there would have been even a larger attendance, invitations having been issued to eighty-nine families, and many having expressed their intention of being present who were detained at home.

F. E. Clark, the prime mover in the affair, acted as chairman of the meeting and presided over the speakers. Rev. Martin S. Howard, pastor of the First Congregational church, spoke with deep feeling of Mrs. Foskitt's good work in the church and community; Rev. Dr. W. H. Thomas, pastor of the Methodist Memorial church, referred to his own experience as chairman in the army and of how such a gift as hers to the town of a soldier's monument, was but a just tribute to the brave dead heroes of whom her husband was one, expressing the gratitude of the citizens for which it is the expression. Dr. William Rice Newhall, principal of Wesleyan Academy, thanked her in behalf of that institution for her gift to their library of a valuable collection of medical works, and spoke of Mrs. Foskitt as a type of self-sacrificing broad-mindedness, a grand woman for which Massachusetts has been noted since its first settlement, a type so prominent in colonial days and all the years since. He emphasized the effect and formative influence on the character of the silent figure of stone always on duty on the green lawn not far distant, mentioning the pleasant fact that the town of Modou, Conn., had recently received a legacy to be applied to the erection of a soldier's monument as nearly as possible a copy of this gift of Mrs. Foskitt to Wilbraham four years ago, the donor, a visitor at the Academy, having been so deeply impressed by the beauty of this one as to follow our friend's example.

Music followed, and the refreshments which the guests had brought with them

